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MAXIMUM SPACE DEBRIS FROM PSLV ROCKETS, MOST IN LOW EARTH ORBIT

As of March, 129 space debris originating from Indian satellite missions are in orbit, mostly from PSLV rockets, Parliament was informed

BULLISH ON ZERO DEBRIS CREATION BY 2030

The management of space debris has become a concern. According to a written reply in Parliament by the Centre, the debris includes 23 defunct satellites in low earth orbit and 26 in geostationary orbit. In addition, there are rocket debris from PSLV (40), GSLV (4) and LVM3 (3). It is in this backdrop that India is aiming for zero debris creation by 2030

EXPERT STUDIES IN PLACE FOR MISSION

- As a step to achieve zero debris mission, ISRO has institutionalised the process to ensure extra fuel margins for both spacecraft and launch vehicles, during mission design and project initialisation phase
- Studies are being undertaken for robotic arm, rendezvous and proximity operations that are precursors to active debris removal | P7

35,000

TRACKABLE DEBRIS OBJECTS ARE CURRENTLY IN SPACE WORLDWIDE

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT
CBC 15401/13/0017/2526
INCOME TAX ACT, 2025
applicable from
1st April 2026
Improved Clarity & Ease in Reading
INCOME TAX ACT
2025
Powering the mission of Viksit Bharat
Simple Law, Empowered Bharat
Towards Viksit Bharat
Through Simplified
Taxation Law
"Today the goal of the country is Viksit Bharat, Sashakt Bharat!
We cannot stop until this dream of a developed India is fulfilled."
– Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Steepest single-day rupee dive in 4 years

Import costs may soar as currency falls 82 paise over Iran conflict

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE rupee on Friday logged its steepest single-day decline in four years, closing at a record low of 93.71 against the dollar, down 82 paise, as escalating tensions in West Asia kept crude oil prices elevated.

The currency opened at 93.15 and remained under pressure through the session. During intraday trading, it weakened 1.1% to touch 93.7350 (down 103 paise), breaching its previous record low of 92.63 hit earlier this week. The rupee eventually settled at 93.71, marking a weekly decline of about 1.3%—the sharpest since late 2022.

With this, the rupee has earned the dubious distinction of being the worst-performing currency in Asia, depreciating over 5.5% so far this year.

Over the past year, the currency has weakened by around 8% against the dollar compared with an average annual fall of 4.2% in recent years. The continued slide poses risks to India's macroeconomic goals, including its ambition to become a $5-trillion economy.

A weaker rupee raises the cost of imports across the board, not just crude oil. India imports nearly 85% of its crude oil and over 60% of its natural gas requirements, making it particularly vulnerable to currency depreciation. According to RBI estimates, a $10 per barrel rise in crude prices typically pushes up inflation by about 30 basis points. Crude is currently trading above $110 per barrel.

For the domestic economy, the impact of a prolonged conflict extends beyond currency weakness. The combination of a depreciating rupee and elevated crude prices could fuel imported inflation, especially in fuel and commodities, raise input costs for businesses, and increase the burden on consumers—prompting monetary policy action by RBI.

A sustained spike in oil prices could also dampen growth in one of the world's largest oil-importing economies.

Foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) have already pulled out over $8 billion from Indian equities this month—the highest outflow since January 2025—adding further pressure on the rupee. In 2025, FPIs had sold equities worth $18.9 billion.

Domestic equity markets, however, showed resilience. After a sharp fall of 3% on Thursday, benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty recovered modestly on Friday, rising 0.5%.

With Iran-US tensions simmering, concerns over crude supply disruptions are mounting. Officials in Saudi Arabia have warned that oil prices could touch $180 per barrel if the war goes on till late April, raising fears of a prolonged energy shock.

'Re may breach 95-mark'

With no signs of ease in the West Asia conflict, the rupee remains vulnerable. Several global brokerages, including Goldman Sachs and UBS, expect the Indian currency to weaken further and breach the 95-mark in the near term

PREMIUM PETROL, INDUSTRIAL DIESEL PRICES RAISED

The West Asia war has begun to affect petrol and diesel prices, with OMCs raising premium petrol prices by up to ₹2.35 per litre from Friday. The latest hike applies only to premium variants such as BPCL's Speed, HPCL's Power fuel and Indian Oil's XP95, while regular petrol prices remain unchanged. OMCs have also raised bulk diesel prices for industrial users by ₹22 per litre. In Delhi, bulk diesel prices have increased from ₹87.67 to ₹109.59 per litre

New panel formed to reform dental edu

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

IN a major reform aimed at improving the quality of dental education and aligning it with global standards, the Centre on Friday announced the constitution of the National Dental Commission (NDC). To support the functioning of the Commission, three autonomous bodies have also been constituted.

The Commission will introduce essential and long-overdue regulatory reforms in dental education, and enhance access to affordable oral healthcare across the country.

The notifications in this regard were issued on March 19.

The NDC framework will now replace the Dental Council of India (DCI), which regulated dental education and profession throughout the country. The new Commission has come into effect from March 19.

The Commission will frame regulations to implement the provisions of the Act; will conduct rating and assessment of dental institutions; evaluate human resources and promote dental research; frame guidelines for fee regulation in private dental colleges; and establish standards for community dental care, education, research, and professional ethics.

The three autonomous boards are — Undergraduate and Postgraduate Dental Education Board, which will oversee dental education; Dental Assessment and Rating Board, which will regulate accreditation and institutional assessment; and the Ethics and Dental Registration Board, which will govern professional conduct and registration of dentists.

Dr Sanjay Tewari has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Commission, while Dr. Mousumi Goswami will be a part-time member.

Dr Chandrashekhar Janakiram has been appointed president of the Undergraduate and Postgraduate Dental Education Board. Dr. Shailesh Madhav Lele will be the whole time member. Lt Gen (Retd) Nanda Kishore Sahoo is the president of the Dental Assessment and Rating Board while Dr Himanshu Aeran is a whole time member.

Lt Gen (Retd) Tapas Kumar Bandyopadhyay has been appointed as the whole time member of the Ethics and Dental Registration Board.

CM has better work than to interfere with transfers, postings: K'taka HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court has said that no request for transfer or posting of government officials should be entertained by the Chief Minister's Office directly, observing that the CM has better and more important work to do than interfere with transfers and postings of government employees.

A divisional bench of Justices DK Singh and TM Nadaf made the observations recently, disposing of a writ appeal filed by Chethan S, a Bescom assistant engineer, working in the E4 sub-division of Whitefield division. He had moved the court questioning the single-judge order, which had dismissed his petition questioning the premature transfer without his content and also in violation of transfer guidelines.

The single judge observed that the court has come across several letters/orders/approvals issued by the Chief Minister's Office (CMO), transferring group 'B' or 'C' employees undoing the orders issued by their superiors. "Even in the present case, the petitioner has managed to obtain the approval from the CMO directing the minister in-charge to accept the request of mutual transfer, though the same did not emanate from the office of respondent Nos. 1 and 2. Therefore, this generates a doubt as to whether the CM is aware of the kind of orders/approvals obtained from his office. It also gives rise to a suspicion that someone sitting in the CMO is mechanically issuing such orders/approvals giving rise to heart burn amongst employees and consequent litigation before this Court."

The single judge had directed the registrar general to place the order before the chief secretary to bring it to the notice of the CM to sensitise concerned persons not to casually issue letters for transfer, posting or retransferring of officials.

The chief secretary filed an affidavit on March 3, stating the notes received from the CMO are only recommendatory and not transfer orders or approval for transfers. She said the observation made in the impugned judgment has been brought to the notice of the CM. Office Staff/Officers CMO associated with the handling of such transfer requests have been specifically sensitised regarding the observations made, she added. **CONTINUED ON: P7**

Payyu Chowti coming out of the well with two-year-old Bhuvi in Sirsi

Bizman rescues 2-year-old girl from 50-ft well

SUBHASH CHANDRA NS
@ Sirsi (Uttara Kannada)

A two-year-old girl, who fell into an open well near her house, was rescued by her neighbour, businessman and philanthropist at Kasturba Nagar in Sirsi on Wednesday. The video of the rescue act has gone viral on social media sites.

The two-year-old Bhuvi was playing near her house when she fell into the well, but no one noticed it. Her elder sister and grandmother Jayamma were at home, but were busy, while her parents were away at a hospital.

The grandmother wanted to feed Bhuvi when she realised that the little girl was missing. She called out her name, but there was no response. Panicking, Jayamma sought the help of her neighbours and started searching for her. Just then, someone in the group heard a faint cry of the girl. **P5**

Trainee vet dies in hippo attack at S'mogga zoo

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

A trainee veterinarian on duty at the Tyavarekoppa Tiger and Lion Sanctuary died on Friday after she was attacked by a hippopotamus at the zoo.

The deceased, **Dr Samiksha Reddy** (27), was a resident of Bannerghatta in Bengaluru and had completed her education at the Veterinary College, Hebbal, Bengaluru. She had reported to duty as a trainee veterinarian on February 1.

Around 10.30 pm on Thursday, Samiksha had gone to the zoo hospital to treat a Sun conure bird. Around 11:45 pm, she went to check the hippopotamus, which had not consumed food properly at night. The hippopotamus is pregnant and is expected to give birth within four days. Samiksha entered the enclosure and was taking the hippo's body temperature using a thermal camera, when it attacked her.

A seriously injured Samiksha was rushed to a private hospital in the city, where she died on Friday morning, the executive director of Shivamogga zoo stated in a press release.

Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre ordered a high-level investigation to be conducted by senior veterinarians and forest officials. The report is expected to be filed within seven days. He ordered a compensation of Rs 30 lakh to Dr Samiksha's family as per rules.

"This is an unfortunate incident. Every life is precious. The government will stand by the family of the deceased doctor," he stated in his condolence message.

He directed the authorities at all zoos in the state to adhere to the standard operating procedure while treating animals.

The incident raised several questions, while her family members questioned as to why she was sent to the hippo enclosure alone. **CONTINUED ON: P6**

CJI recuses from hearing plea on panel to pick CEC

UDAYAN KISHORE @ New Delhi

CHIEF Justice of India Surya Kant on Friday recused himself from hearing a batch of petitions challenging a 2023 law that removed the CJI from a committee mandated to appoint the chief election commissioner to the poll panel, citing "conflict of interest".

The court was hearing a batch of PILs challenging the constitutional validity of certain provisions of the Chief Election Commissioner and Other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Act. The CJI said it would be appropriate for the case to be listed before a bench where no judge was in line to become the chief justice. Else, "I will be accused of conflict of interest," the CJI said.

The December 2023 law came months after a SC order that a panel comprising the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, and the CJI appoint election commissioners. The bench had said the system would remain in force till a law was enacted. Under the 2023 Act, however, the selection committee consists of the PM, a Union minister nominated by the PM and the Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha.

EXPRESS READ

Custodial death sparks row in Tumakuru

Tumakuru: Tension prevailed in Huliyar town after a man died in police custody on Thursday night. Residents, including family members of the victim, laid siege to the police station, alleging police excesses | **P3**

Teen dies while filming Insta reel in Hubballi

Dharwad: Namish Sanglad (15) of Hubballi died after being run over by a car while filming stunts for Instagram reels on Thursday. Sources said the car was moving at a high speed when Namish attempted to cross its path | **P6**

STANDS FOR LAUDABLE ALLY

Envoy-designate has Chinese name, Wei Jiameng

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA @ Beijing

INDIA'S newly appointed Ambassador to China Vikram Doraiswami has a Chinese name: Wei Jiameng, which denotes auspicious or praiseworthy ally. Doraiswami, a 1992-batch IFS officer, was appointed India's new envoy to China on Thursday.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Lin Jian told a media briefing on Friday that he noticed that the Indian envoy has chosen a Chinese name for himself: Wei Jiameng.

"China welcomes India's new ambassador to China Wei Jiameng, and stands ready to provide every convenience for him to take up his post in China," he said.

According to Chinese scholars, the loose translation of the name in Mandarin is Wei, a common Chinese surname that phonetically matches "Vi" in Vikram. Long ago, Wei was a powerful state during the Warring States period in Chinese history. "Jia" stands for "auspicious or praiseworthy", "Meng" means "alliance". Broadly, Jiameng means auspicious/praiseworthy ally, the scholars said.

Vikram Doraiswami

It can be said as "one who forms an excellent alliance", according to one Chinese scholar, which carries diplomatic significance in the present context of India-China relations.

Lin said China hopes that after assuming his duties, Doraiswami will make positive contributions to the sustained improvement and development of China-India ties.

Doraiswami's appointment evoked considerable interest in the Chinese official media and the strategic community. A Mandarin speaker, he served both in Hong Kong and Beijing in his early career as a diplomat. He served as Third Secretary in Hong Kong, where he earned an elective diploma in Chinese from the New Asia Yale-in-Asia Language School before moving to Beijing in 1996 for a four-year tenure.

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- **Ritu:** Vasantha • **Masa:** Chaitra • **Paksha:** Sukla • **Tithi:** Thrutheeya 11.57 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Ashwini 12.39 am • Moon in Vrishabha Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 09:00 am to 10:30am
- **Gulikakala:** 06:00 am to 07:30 am • **Yamaganda:** 01:49 pm to 03:26 pm

WEATHER

MIN 19°C | MAX 32°C

FORECAST Afternoon clouds

Sunrise 06.23 am | Sunset 06.30 pm | Moonrise 07.48 am | Moonset 08.44 pm

New footpath, parking policy soon

DCM: Vendors must sell wares in designated areas, will allow only licensed ones

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

TO safeguard the interest of pedestrians and to ease traffic congestion in Bengaluru, a new footpath and parking policy will be unveiled soon, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, said here on Friday. He warned that only vendors with identity cards will be allowed to sell their ware in designated zones, while the rest will be removed. Shivakumar, who is also Bengaluru development minister, said under the new parking policy, abandoned vehicles obstructing roads and footpaths in the city will be towed and sent to dump yards.

He was speaking to the media after holding the pre-budget meeting with officials from five corporation and the first meeting of the Greater Bengaluru Authority's Executive Committee, which included city legislators, ministers, MPs, Additional Chief Secretary Tushar Girinath, GBA Chief Commissioner M Maheswar Rao, five city commissioners and representatives of other parastatals.

"There have been many complaints related to street vendors encroaching on footpaths, which we constructed by spending a lot of money," he said.

"To keep the footpaths and roads free for pedestrian and vehicular movement, vending will be allowed only in designated spots. If vendors occupy other places, they will be removed," he warned, saying the vending spots will be announced. He said vending will not be allowed on arterial and sub-arterial roads. He warned vendors that city corporations will seize their goods if they leave them packed on the roadside and footpaths at night.

He said 60,000 vendors have registered, while another 30,000 have requested push carts.

Shivakumar said flex banners continue to be put up across the city, despite repeated directives. A fine of Rs 1 lakh will be slapped on violators, irrespective of the name mentioned on the flex.

Commenting on timings to keep public parks open, he said the five corporations will decide after consulting local legislators.

He said legacy dump sites have been identified in three to four locations in the city and the task of dumping abandoned vehicles will be given to the police.

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao at a meeting with city legislators on Friday

MLAs demand ₹5cr per ward, budget likely on March 30

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

> **Listing out problems in their areas, legislators sought allocations in the corporations' budget. While some legislators demanded more funds, we demanded that each ward be allotted at least a Rs 5 crore developmental fund in the upcoming budget**
>
> CK Ramamurthy, Jayanagar MLA

CITY legislators have demanded a ward-wise developmental grant of Rs 5 crore each for the 369 wards of the five city corporations. Commissioners of the corporations presented their proposals at the pre-budget meeting chaired by Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, along with ministers, MPs and legislators representing the city, on Friday. In the absence of an elected council, the budget will be presented by officials, most likely on March 30.

"All five commissioners presented the financial status of the corporations. Bengaluru West City Corporation has the least revenue. East and North have a lot of potential as the areas under them are still growing. However, BWCC's income has saturated and it needs financial aid from the government," said Rajajinagar MLA Suresh Kumar, who was part of the pre-budget meeting.

Cutting across party lines, legislators representing BWCC, including Mahalaksmi Layout MLA Gopalaiah, Rajarajeshwari MLA Munirathna, Malleswaram MLA Ashwath Narayan and Yeshwanthpur MLA ST Somashekar have raised similar concerns. Kumar said the DCM agreed with them.

Jayanagar MLA CK Ramamurthy said the legislators raised many issues relating to Bengaluru, ranging from encroached footpaths causing trouble to pedestrians and haphazard parking blocking free vehicle movement. "Listing out problems in their areas, legislators sought allocations in the corporations' budget. While some legislators demanded more funds, we demanded that each ward be allotted at least a Rs 5 crore developmental fund in the upcoming budget," he said.

"For the development of Jayanagar 4th Block Complex and BDA complexes in Jayanagar constituency, we have demanded Rs 100 crore. For comprehensive development of parks, we need Rs 25 crore. We placed a request for the construction of flyovers and underpasses in our constituency. To ease traffic in Jayanagar, we have demanded a double-decker flyover from Ragigudda Metro connecting NICE Road," he said.

DCM Shivakumar, in response to legislators seeking grants of Rs 5-10 crore per ward, said, "Some have demanded the sky. Some have demanded land."

Shoppers buy sevaiyan for the Ramzan feast in Shivajinagar on Friday | VINOD KUMAR T

Traffic restrictions for Eid prayers today

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@ Bengaluru

WITH Ramzan prayers scheduled to take place across Bengaluru on March 21, Bengaluru Traffic Police has released traffic advisories to avoid traffic congestion and smooth flow of vehicles from 5am to 2pm.

- BB Junction, BBMP playground, Mysuru Road: Restrictions are imposed from Tollgate Junction to Town Hall via BB Junction, and over BGS Flyover on Mysuru Road. Similarly, vehicle movement is prohibited from Town Hall towards Mysuru Road via BGS flyover and BB Junction up to Tollgate Junction.

Alternative routes: From Mysuru Road to Town Hall, riders can take a left at Kengeri Junction-Chord Road right at the toll gate (Magadi Road), take a right at the toll gate towards Magadi Road, right at Hunsemara Junction, left at Sirsi Circle and continue towards Town Hall.

Vehicles coming from Town Hall towards Mysuru, especially heavy vehicles, are advised to use the service road under the BGS flyover. They can take a right turn at Veterinary Junction and take Goods Shed Road. Meanwhile, light vehicles are advised to take a right turn at Sirsi Junction, proceed via JJ Nagar and Tank Bund Road-Binny Mills Junction and Magadi Road, take a left turn at Toll Gate and continue via West of Chord Road towards Mysuru.

Those travelling from Basavanagudi and Chamarajpet towards Majestic are advised to proceed via Chamarajpet 1st Main Road -- 5th Cross Road -- Mysuru Road -- Veterinary Junction -- Goods Shed Road.

- Millers Road: In Pulakeshi Nagar police station limits, all types of vehicles heading from old Udaya TV Junction towards Millers Road and St John's Church Road will be temporarily restricted. Vehicles from Haines Road and St John's Church Road towards Millers Road, Nandidurga Road will be also restricted. Alternative routes include travelling via Bamboo Bazaar Road, Netaji Road, Promenade Road, Haines Road, Cantonment Road, Queens Road, Jayamahal Road and Benson Cross.
- Vehicular movement is restricted from Nagawara Junction to Pottery Circle as well as parking of all types of vehicles from Pottery Circle to Nagawara Junction. Parking space is allocated near Alphonso School cross road, Pillanna Garden Road, HBR 9th cross road, Umar Mosque road, HBR 80-Ft Road and 1st cross road.

In 25 weeks, BNCC receives 1,444 plaints during phone-in

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BANGALURU North City Corporation (BNCC) said it will continue holding its phone-in programme with the commissioner every Friday.

BNCC Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar said on Friday's phone-in programme, 44 calls were received, registering 59 complaints. "All issues were reviewed, and officials were instructed to respond immediately," he said.

Since the programme was launched on September 26 last year, 1,444 grievances have been registered over the past 25 weeks. He said 976 grievances have already been resolved, while 88 complaints falling outside BNCC jurisdiction have been forwarded to other corporations and departments. Officials have been instructed to take prompt action on the remaining 330 grievances.

With 21 complaints related to road maintenance and 19 complaints related to waste collection and disposal being registered on Friday, officials were instructed to take immediate action on all complaints and ensure timely resolution.

Additionally, five complaints, each related to the removal of hazardous tree branches and health-related issues, were reported, with instructions to attend to them immediately.

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PNB opens four branches across city

Bengaluru : Punjab National Bank launched new branches across in KR Puram, Hennur Road, Anekal and JP Nagar 8th Phase. "The newly opened branches aim to provide a comprehensive range of banking services, including customer-oriented savings and current accounts, retail loans, gold loans, MSME financing, digital banking solutions and financial inclusion initiatives, thereby catering to the diverse needs of customers in these regions," said Circle Head Ratish Kumar Singh. He said this expansion aligns with the bank's strategic vision of broadening its network and delivering customer-centric banking solutions. Senior bank officials, local dignitaries and customers attended the inauguration ceremony. **ENS**

KSRTC & BMTC BAG AWARDS AT NATIONAL MOBILITY SUMMIT

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) bagged three prestigious awards at the National Mobility Summit & Awards–Telangana 2026. The transport utility was recognised under the categories -- Outstanding Public Transport Digitization Initiative, State Transport Corporation of the Year – EV Clean Fleet Transition and Innovation in Citizen Engagement – Inclusive Mobility. Manjunatha KV, Controller of Stores & Purchases, and M Jagadish, Works Manager, received the awards. Meanwhile, the Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) received two prestigious national awards at the ELETS Mobility Excellence Awards 2026. One of the award was for KSRTC's Dhwani Spandana initiative, under the 'Innovation in Citizen Engagement and Inclusive Mobility' category, and the other was for the AWATAR 4.0 project integrated with UPI payment facility, under the 'Outstanding Public Transport Digitisation Initiative' category. **ENS**

GBA POLLS

BLOs flag lack of training on voter mapping

RASHMI PATIL @Bengaluru

AHEAD of the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) polls, booth-level officers, who were involved in voter mapping, have claimed that they were not given proper training on mapping voters across the city. More than 8,000 BLOs in Bengaluru were involved in mapping voters.

Mahadevamma (name changed), an anganwadi teacher, said, "There was no special training for us. We had to learn on our own from 12-15 minute videos from YouTube shared in our WhatsApp groups. We were given the voter list from 2002 till 2024 and asked to map them. In case of no changes in the number of voters in a particular family, then the same data will be mapped. If there are additions and deletions then we must make those changes."

Another anganwadi teacher, who was assigned the same ward as her anganwadi school, said when such important exercises like mapping voters are being conducted, there needs to be prior advertisement through various mediums so that people are aware of it. "I was assigned to verify 1,500 voters and map them as well. Another problem in voter mapping is lack of access to the full address of a residence. Since there was delimitation of wards after the GBA was formed, some streets are on the border of two wards. In such instances, lack of complete address and training puts BLOs and supervisors under confusion of how to map them," the teacher said.

Speaking to TNIE, a senior official from the State Election Commission (SEC), said, "Training was provided to officials at the booth level. Despite training them, there are always some discrepancies in the voter list because of the new ward delimitation. There is also something called as 'heritage list' in which the same discrepancies (wrong spelling of voters' name, door number etc) have been existing for a long time. Such discrepancies or faults can be identified but they should be rectified during the Special Intensive Revision. In case a resident has shifted from Jayanagar to RT Nagar due to lease or rental purposes, then they must contact the BLO in Jayanagar, fill Form 8 and provide their current address to the BLO in RT Nagar. They will be mapped accordingly."

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

21st March : Lucky Water Sign Trine Acting on a feeling at the right moment. Trusting intuition without dramatizing it. Reading a room. Knowing when and how to be generous. These are signs of high emotional IQ. Why does it matter? Because most long-term outcomes aren't decided by who was right. They're decided by who handled the emotional field well.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
When you move, life moves (SET ITAL) with(END ITAL) and (SET ITAL) because(END ITAL) of you. It's just a regular part of being alive, but you feel it more today. You notice how your energy affects your environment. The whole universe breathes with you.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
You'll really feel your humanity today, and it's heartening. You're learning; everyone else is learning, too. You're teaching; everyone else is teaching, too. Give yourself and others the same room to grow.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
If you can't go on the adventure you want, your inner world, imagination and collaboration with media will give you an escape from the pressures. Why should it be a "guilty pleasure" when it can just be a pleasure, sans guilt?

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
What worked the last time could work again, but this is a challenging game. It could also work not at all. Remove expectation from your strategy. Pretend like it's all an experiment. Go in with an open mind to novelty.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Big wins aren't the only things that count. Character counts. Habits count. The way you move through ordinary moments counts. You will elevate the mundane. The repeated good you do is worthy of celebrating.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
If you only know the best and the worst of your subject, you don't really know it deeply. Whether it's a person or a sandwich, it's the middle bits that give it a name -- the in-between parts that really make it what it is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
How is life reflecting the potentials you imagine for yourself? You'll see possible adjustments you can make, some of them very small, to shore up the difference. You'll either tweak the vision or begin living in a way that proves it true.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
Don't assume they know. Say it. Show it. Gratitude works best before it's overdue. When you are proactive in your appreciation, you will avoid others the pain of being overlooked. A small acknowledgment now prevents larger misunderstandings later.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You recognize fundamental differences between you and another, and the relationship could become stronger because you each shine in different ways, each magnetized by the talent of the other.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
You're not interested in happiness that comes at the expense of someone else's. Nor should you try to make someone else happy in a way that makes you miserable. You'll see more options when you refuse to take the bad ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
A relationship is changing and you're steering it into the next chapter. Think of not only the logistics, but also the feelings you would like to have more regularly. How do you want the new iteration of this connection to feel?

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Many faces you see along your daily path are strangers you won't see again. So whether you pass in silence, with acknowledgement, or in a mode of expression all yours, you feel how unique this time is -- electric with possibility.

Solutions to Thursday's puzzle ⬇

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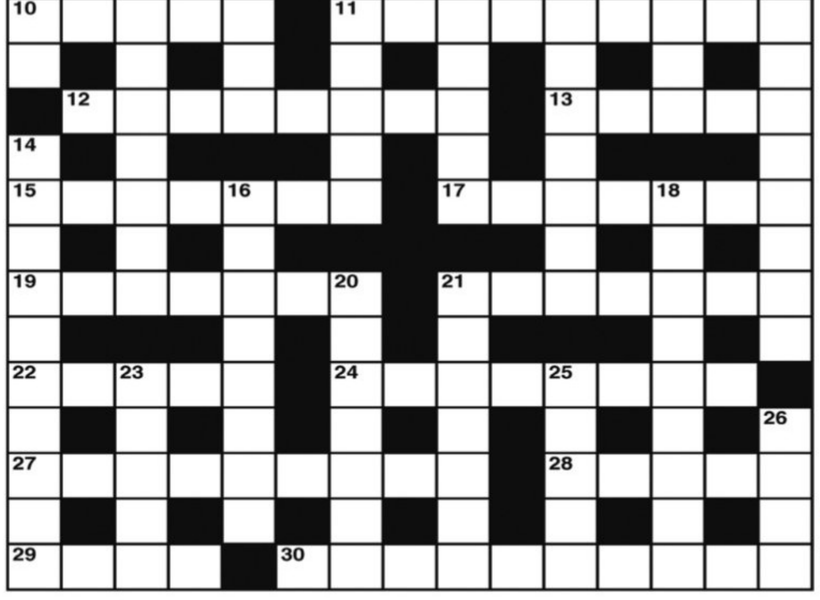
TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Consenting by letter (10)
6 It is dry in the Kalahari Desert (4)
10 Cadet behaved badly (5)
11 Call to mind (2,7)
12 Being virtuous, he has spoken in some obscurity (8)
13 When dancers take them they're on the level (5)
15 Greed for caviare spread (7)
17 The head cleaner (7)
19 No mean poet! (7)
21 Spinning the hardest yarns (7)
22 Maps some mountains (5)
24 Associates with swindling types (8)
27 Hasty article written about corporal punishment (9)
28 Girl given ring might be thrown over by cowboy (5)
29 Stone jar (4)
30 They step on many feet (10)

DOWN

1 Perform song with piano introduction (4)
2 Limit the drink; it makes good sense (9)
3 Country engaged in taking back help (5)
4 Glorious rendering of 'Under the Linden Tree' (7)
5 Annuls new caveats (7)
7 Rob with a gun (5)
8 Accommodation for a model family (5-5)
9 Invigorating new tune? (5,3)
14 How a food mixer can relieve boredom? (5,1,4)
16 Neglected but is found in fresh undies (2,6)
18 Perfectly proficient? (9)
20 Admit that you take in stolen goods? (7)
21 Thing to change into this evening (7)
23 A song from Cyril (5)
25 Deck or dock (5)
26 Head man in the stud (4)

THURSDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Centaurs, 5 Oars, 9 Total, 10 Snowman, 11 Contaminates, 13 Ankara, 14 Ablaze, 17 Ghost stories, 20 Awesome, 21 Idaho, 22 Site, 23 Sturgeon.

Down: 1 Cuts, 2 Network, 3 Alliteration, 4 Resume, 6 Admit, 7 Sinister, 8 Soundbarrier, 12 Gangways, 15 Average, 16 At rest, 18 Overt, 19 Horn.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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SIDLAM

Oh! So the stove isn't such a bad idea after all?
I think a few more logs will give us the perfect temperature.
HE DIDN'T LOVE THE IDEA OF BUYING THE WOOD STOVE AT FIRST, BUT HE ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)

Thursday's | Jumbles: SCOUT COMMA CLENCH PACIFY
Answer: Raising business capital was easy because investors wanted to — ACCOMPANY THEM

Kannada Development Authority (KDA) Chairman Dr Purushothama Bilimale on Friday said that Tulu will soon be granted second official language status in Karnataka. Dr Bilimale said in Mangaluru, "Even though we succeed in granting official language status to Tulu, if we do not use it in everyday life, its survival becomes difficult. Languages grow through active usage"

Custodial death sparks row, HM orders CID probe

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Tumakuru

TENSION prevailed in Huliyar town of Chikkanayakanahalli taluk after a man died in police custody on Thursday night. Residents, including family members of the victim Kantharaju (50), laid siege to the police station, alleging police excesses as the reason for death. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Friday ordered a CID probe into the incident.

Speaking in Bengaluru, the minister confirmed that the man died while being interrogated on Thursday. "There was no information about the cause of death. The CID investigation will reveal whether he was beaten. It will also be revealed in the postmortem. The CID will investigate all angles and file a report. If it is established that the death happened due to assault, we will take action against the guilty," he stated.

Kantharaju was among five men taken into custody by a police team led by inspector Janardhan, for allegedly indulging in card gambling on Ugadi, around 6pm at Yalanadu village. He was exhausted during interrogation and police ignored his pleas for a drink of water. He was also kicked by the policemen, one of the other accused who was in custody and later released on bail, recounted. The incident happened near Siddarameshwara temple, where the victim was the head. An onlooker was also picked up by police, it is alleged.

Around 8.30pm, Kantharaju fainted and was taken to a nearby hospital where doctors declared him brought dead. Relatives brought his mortal remains to the station and laid siege. The incident spread like wildfire and residents gathered at the station seeking immediate action against the guilty personnel.

SP Ashok K V rushed to the station and took stock of the incident. The autopsy of the victim was conducted at the District General Hospital here. Former minister JC Madhuswamy and former MLA KS Kiran Kumar pacified the protesters.

11 held for causing nuisance on Metro

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

ELEVEN women were booked for allegedly creating nuisance and disturbing other passengers inside a metro coach on the night of March 15. This led to a delay of the service by nearly 20 minutes.

According to a police complaint filed by a security officer of BMRCL, the women were singing and dancing inside the coach, causing inconvenience to other passengers. Despite objections by some passengers, they continued to sing and dance. At the Peenya Industrial Metro Station, some women in the group, who got down from the train, continued to argue with fellow passengers on the platform and even obstructed the closure of train doors.

According to BMRCL, on Sunday night, a group of women boarded the train at Madavara station after attending a concert at the Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC). The group created commotion and caused inconvenience to fellow passengers. This affected the movement of the train for some time.

BMRCL security staff swung into action and handed those women to the police.

Based on the complaint, a non-cognisable report was filed against the women, the police said, adding that they were let off after they apologised for their action.

BACK TO THE SKIES

A kite was rescued from the premises of Khadira Masjid after it was tangled in manja thread in Bengaluru on Friday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

10-yr-old dies after drinking syrup for headache

MANGALURU: Chirag (10) died after consuming syrup at his residence to relieve a headache. Police said that there were four different bottles of syrup at the residence. The parents are unsure which one he consumed. It remains unclear whether his death was caused by an overdose or by consuming a syrup not intended for headaches. He was rushed to hospital but was brought in already deceased. **ENS**

18 booked for swindling ₹1.73cr apartment fund

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

EIGHTEEN members of the Prince Town Apartment Association in Shettihalli, Bagalagunte police limits, were booked for allegedly misappropriating Rs 1.73 crore. The residents accused the office-bearers of financial irregularities, inflated expenses and fund diversion to personal accounts.

The complaint was filed by Nisha Jangra, an advocate residing at the apartment complex comprising around 700 flats. The police booked association president Arun Kulkarni, secretary Alex Punnenn, treasurer Praveen Naryankar, joint secretaries Sandeep Srivastava and Sharanappa B, along with other members. The FIR stated that the accused, who held office during 2023–24 and 2024–25, allegedly conspired to misuse association funds collected as maintenance charges from residents.

But, the complainant pointed out, inflated and irregular expenditures included Rs 2,11,700 as Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) waterman charges, Rs 13.5 lakh as old expenses and salary payments were shown as Rs 12.5 lakh and Rs 24.9 lakh, while garbage clearance expenses stood at Rs 3.2 lakh. Expenses without GST were shown as Rs 36 lakh for 2023–24 and over Rs 25 lakh for 2024–25.

The complaint also alleged fund transfers to personal accounts, including around Rs 3.5 lakh to Hiremath, close to Rs 1.3 lakh to Praveen Naryankar, and Rs 29.8 lakh to other individuals.

UPS batteries worth ₹24 lakh seized, thief arrested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A man involved in a series of UPS battery thefts in Electronics City was arrested and the police have recovered 51 batteries of various companies along with an autorickshaw used in the crime, collectively valued at Rs 24 lakh.

A case was registered at Parappana Agrahara police station following a complaint lodged on February 5 by a manager of a private company in Electronics City. The complaint stated that six UPS batteries kept along the roadside in Electronics City Phase-2 and four batteries placed near a tools company on Shanthipura Main Road were stolen. These batteries were used to power CCTV cameras, streetlights and traffic signals in the township area. The police apprehended the accused on March 9 from a scrap shop in Vaddarapalya on Koppa Begur Main Road. During interrogation, he confessed to the theft and admitted to committing similar offences across Bengaluru, storing the stolen batteries at his scrap shop.

The police seized all 51 batteries and the autorickshaw the same day. The accused was produced before a court on March 10 and remanded in judicial custody. The police said the arrest has helped detect two battery theft cases registered at Parappana Agrahara police station. The operation was carried out under the guidance of DCP (Electronics City Division) M Narayana.

EXPRESS READ

Leopardess united with 3 cubs in Mandya district

MANDYA: Forest officials successfully reunited a leopardess with her three cubs on Friday. The villagers alerted the Forest department after the cubs were spotted in a sugarcane field two days ago. Officials took the cubs into custody for their safety. The authorities installed a trap cage as the mother leopard could not be traced. The leopardess was captured on Friday and then reunited with her cubs before safely being released into the forest. **ENS**

Minor boy assaulted at local fair in Mangaluru

MANGALURU: A 17-year-old minor boy from another faith was assaulted after being spotted at a local fair with his school friends. Some individuals reportedly objected to his presence at the fair as he was accompanied by girls from a different faith. The minor boy was allegedly assaulted and abused. He was later taken on a two-wheeler, assaulted again, and forced to record a video statement admitting to a supposed mistake before being released **ENS**

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BENGALURU
BSNL Building , 4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bangalore - 560001
O.A.NO. 438/2024
BETWEEN: BANK OF BARODA Sahakaranagar Branch, Bengaluru .....APPLICANT
AND: M/s. SAI EQUIPMENT'S & ANOTHER .....DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS ISSUED U/R 23 (VIII) OF DRT (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION
Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery of sum of **Rs.32,67,935.98/-** together with current and future interest and other reliefs. The above Defendants is therefore, hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date publication or on **17/09/2026 at 10.30 a.m.** and as to why the prayed for should not be granted.
Take Notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned herein before the proceedings will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **10th day of February 2026**
By Order Of The Tribunal, Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal-I Bangalore
To.
1. M/S. SAI EQUIPMENTS.
No.218, Kodigehalli, Near Saibaba Temple, Kodihalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bengaluru-560092, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. RAGHAVENDRA K.M.,
3. Mr. RAGHAVENDRA K. M.
S/o. Madhure Gowda., R/at No.1353, 1st Floor, Behind Saibaba Temple, Kodihalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bengaluru-560092

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, (District Urben Development Cell, Chitradurg)
E-Mail: ka.chitradurga.dudc@gmail.com
No: DUDC/02/CENSUS-2027/CR-01/2025-26 Date: 18.03.2026
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
The Project Director, DUDC, Chitradurga District invites tenders in Two cover system using Service document from Agency / contractor for Providing Outsourced Manpower service For Technical Assistant and Multi-Tasking Staff for Census of India 2027 in Chitradurga District as detailed below:-
Description of work:- Providing Outsourced Manpower service For Technical Assistant and Multi-Tasking Staff for Census of India 2027 in Chitradurga District. Indent No.DMA/2025-26/SE7534
Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in Lakhs):- 70.74
EMD Amount (in Rs):- 1,41,480/- Period of Service:-18 Months
Interested Agency / Contractor shall register on the e-procurement platform to participate in this tender. Agency / Contractor can download the tender documents from from the e-Procurement platform (www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in). Tenders shall be submitted electronically at www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. EMD and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows: **(1)** Last date for Submitting Queries 25-03-2026 5.00 PM **(2)** Last Date for uploading of completed tender documents 30-03-2026 5.00 PM **(3)** Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids) 01-04-2026 10.30 AM **(4)** Date of Opening of Tenders (Financial Bids) After Technical Approval Bid- Any changes in the tender conditions and Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only through e-Procurement portal and will not be published in any newspapers.
DIPR/CTA/KSMCA/776/2025-26
Sd/- Project Director, District Urban Development Cell, Chitradurga.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
(www.kpwd.gov.in)
Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Bangalore Division, 2nd Floor, PWD Annexure Building, K.R. Circle, Bangalore - 01
Telephone No. 080-22133370, **Email ID:** eepwdbngdn@yahoo.com
E-Portal : https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home
Short Term Tender Notification No. 66/2025-26 DATED: 18.03.2026
Item-rate tenders, for the work in PWD, No.1 South Sub Division under this office noted below, are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka in accordance with Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement rules 2000 and as per Standard Tender Documents for procurement of works from the contractors registered in K.P.W.D. as per KPPP.
Tender Notification are Published for 01 Work / Services **(Rs. 50.00 Lakhs)** Details of the tender works can be obtained from the above Office during office hours on working days. EMD & Tender processing fees are mentioned in KPP portal.
1. Tenders must be submitted online through KPP portal on or before **4.00 PM on Dated: 26.03.2026.**
2. The opening of tenders through KPP portal on Dated: **27.03.2026 at 4.30 PM** or further date and time will be Intimate.
For more details contact this office.
Sd/-
Executive Engineer
PWD, Bangalore Division, Bangalore.
DIPR/CP/6375/Zen/2025-26

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY
e-TENDER CALL NOTICE
No:CE/PHD(M)/ACCTS-11/25/89
Dt: 13.03.2026
Name of Work: **"Operation and Maintenance (O&M) of 2.00 MLD STP-III in front of maritime academy for two years (2025-27).** Estimated cost: **Rs.2,16,04,587.90.** Last Date & time of submission : 05.04.2026 up to 17:30 Hrs. Refer our website for details: **eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.**
Sd/- Executive Engineer, PHD, PPA
PPA/PR/74/2025-2026 dt. 17.03.2026

ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಆಫ್ ಬರೋದ | बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा | Bank of Baroda
Regional Office, Bengaluru North : 4th Floor, 41/2, M G Road, Trinity Circle, Bengaluru – 560001
REQUIREMENT OF PREMISES ON LEASE/RENTAL BASIS
Bank of Baroda invites proposals/offers from the owners having clear and marketable titles over land and built-up property with the carpet area of up to 100 sq ft on Ground floor offsite ATM at Ramurthy nagar, Bengaluru. with all facilities including adequate power supply. The intending offerers shall submit their offers in two separate sealed covers superscribed as "Technical bid" and "Financial bid" to the following address: The Regional Manager, Bank of Baroda, Bengaluru North Region, 4th floor, Vijaya Towers, Trinity Circle, MG Road, Bengaluru-560001. on or before **13.04.2026 by 15.00hrs**. For details, please login on Tender section of our website (**https://bankofbaroda.bank.in**).
Date: 20.03.2026
Place: Bengaluru
Sd/- Regional Head, Bank of Baroda, Bangalore North

PUBLIC NOTICE
The general public is hereby informed that Sri.Ramesh Chandra Agarwal S/o Sri.B.P.Agarwal, residing at no.20A, Tower 3, SNN Clermont, Dr.Puneeth Rajkumar Road, Opp. Nagavara Lake, Hebbal, Nagavara, Bangalore – 560 045 is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property described infra.
The following original documents pertaining to the schedule property are lost/misplaced :
1. Original Allotment letter dated 04.08.1973 issued by CITB in favour of Capton R.Balaswamy.
2. Original memo dated 09.04.1975 issued by CITB in favour of Capton Balaswamy.
3. Original sale deed dated 16.08.1988 executed by the BDA rep by its Deputy Secretary in favour of Capton R.Balaswamy (doc.no.1331/1988-89).
4. Original sale deed dated 28.09.1988 executed by Major R.Balaswamy in favour of S.B.Shivaprakash (doc.no.1888/1988-89).
5. Original sale deed dated 20.01.1993 executed by S.B.Shivaprakash in favour of Manjudevi Agarwal (doc.no.2964/1992-93).
In this connection, an E-Complaint has been lodged on 15.03.2026 at Bangalore City Police Station, Bangalore, bearing Serial no.2110355.
The finder of the said documents is requested to surrender the original allotment letter, possession certificate & sale deed/s to the undersigned **within 10 days** from this day, failing which, it shall be deemed that the allotment letter, possession certificate & sale deed/s are irretrievably lost and True copy / certified copy of the same shall be obtained from the office of BDA & Sub-registrar of Assurances in lieu of lost original for the purpose of records.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of property bearing site no.1390, Municipal no.1390/B, situated at 4 th 'A' Cross Road, Railway Line Pipe Line Extension, Vijayanagara II Stage, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 60 ft., and North to South : 40 ft., in all measuring 2400 Sq. ft., and bounded as follows :
On the East by : Road,
West by : Site no.1352,
North by : Site no.1391,
South by : Site no.1389.
VANILLA, Advocate
No.520, III Floor, Prabhat Complex, K.G Road, Bangalore-560 009.
Ph - 41247862 & 41224958.
Date : 20.03.2026

WESTERN RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/13/2026, Date 11.03.2026

S.N.	Tender No	Short Description of Item	Quantity	T.O.D.
82	26267022	Running Contract for One Year for supply of Metal Liner as per RDSO Drg. No T 3741-42	700000 Set	15-Apr-26
83	22255042A	Supply, Installation, commissioning and retro-fitment of Waterless Urinals	487 Nos	13-Apr-26
84	29265008	High End Surgical Operating Microscope	2 Nos	13-Apr-26
85	26261004	Running Contract of One year for Supply of Metal Liner 60 kg to RDSO Drg. No. T-3740 Alt-7	1000000 Nos	13-Apr-26
86	26267073	Running contract for One Year for supply of 10125 mm Curved Switch 60 Kg. Turnout on PSC Sleeper to RDSO Drawing No. T-8780	600 Set	10-Apr-26
87	26267074	Running contract for one year for Supply of 6400 mm Curved Switch with 60 E1 A1 Thick Web Tongue Rail and 60 Kg. 60E1 R260 Grade Stock Rail for 1 in 8.5, BG 60 Kg. Turnout on PSC sleeper to RDSO Drawing No. T-9775	160 Set	10-Apr-26
88	26261017	Running contract of one year for Supply of 6 mm thick Nylon Cord Reinforced GRSP Set to be use in 1 in 12 B.G. 60 Kg Turnout to RDSO Drawing No T-4218 Alt. 11 or latest	1605 Set	09-Apr-26
89	15265002	16.25 T ICF Bogie Frame arrangement for self generation AC coaches	50 Nos	08-Apr-26
90	22261408A	MVSL (CLASS "H")	238 Nos	08-Apr-26
91	10251045A	Earthing Cable Complete conforming to RCF Drg. No. LW71248 Alt. C	38608 Nos	06-Apr-26

CORRIGENDUM
Please read the due date as "24.03.2026" for the tender notice no S-08-2026 dated: 11.02.2026 at Sr. No. 66
Please read the due date as "24.03.2026" for the tender notice no S-07-2026 dated: 02.02.2026 at Sr. No. 58
Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 1220
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE No: SA-E16-2025-26-W1-W6 dated 17/03/2026
Divisional Railway Manager/Electrical/Salem Division, Salem-5 for and on behalf of the President of India Invites E-Tender for the under mentioned works. Online bids only will be accepted. For detailed NIT, qualification criteria, bidding document, tender submission etc. can be viewed/downloaded from website portal **www.ireps.gov.in**.

E-Tender Notice No, Date and Name of Work	Details
1) SA-E16-2025-26-W1 dated: 17/03/2026. Salem Division-Raising of Rail level /Medium level Platform to High level platform at Somanur (SNO) and Irugur(IGU) Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 45,00,579/- EMD - ₹ 90,000/- Completion Period-6 Months.
2) SA-E16-2025-26-W2 dated: 17/03/2026. Provision of IRS type Platform Shelter at Eight NSG-6 Stations -2 bays each at Mayanoor(MYU), Virarakiyam (VRQ), Perugamani (PGN), Murthipalayam (MPLM), Lalapet (LP), Sithalavai (SEV), Pettavaithalai (PLI) & Chavadipalayam (CVD) Stations-Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 54,22,421/- EMD ₹ 1,08,500/- Completion Period-6 Months.
3) SA-E16-2025-26-W3 dated: 17/03/2026. Raising of Low level platform to high level PF at NSG 6 stations at Kodumudi (KMD), Chavadipalayam (CVD) and Pasur (PAS) in Erode (ED)-Karur (KRR) section- Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 37,50,410/- EMD - ₹ 75,000/- Completion Period-6 Months.
4) SA-E16-2025-26-W4 dated: 17/03/2026. Raising/Extension to the existing Rail level/Medium level to High level for (NSG 6. category stations) at Anangur (ANU), Cauvery (CV), Thottipalayam (TPM), Perundurai (PY), Vijayamangalam(VZ), Uthukuli (UKL), Ingur (IGR) in ADEN/Erode Jurisdiction - Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 88,39,812/- EMD - ₹ 1,76,800/- Completion Period - 6 Months.
5) SA-E16-2025-26-W5 dated: 17/03/2026. Proposed Goods yard remodelling work for direct reception and Dispatch facility-Construction of S&T Building for provision of EI system at Salem Market (SAMT)- Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 6,58,773/- EMD - ₹ 13,200/- Completion Period-4 Months.
6) SA-E16-2025-26-W6 dated: 17/03/2026. Advanced Trip maintenance facilities at Diesel loco shed, Erode: General Lighting arrangements to room for section activities (Size 20m x 6M) at Diesel loco shed Erode as per Drawing no: Sr.DEE/RS/LS/ED-WP-541(ALT-2)- Electrical Arrangements.	Approx. cost- ₹ 5,74,686/- EMD - ₹ 11,500/- Completion Period-4 Months.
For all the works Closing Time & Date	**15.00 hrs. on 17.04.2026**
For all the works Bids Opening Time & Date	**15.30 hrs. on 17.04.2026**

All Addendum/ Corrigendum, Time extension, Clarifications, etc. will be uploaded in the website portal **www.ireps.gov.in** only and will not be published separately in Newspapers. Bidders should regularly visit website to keep themselves updated.
Divisional Railway Manager (Electrical)/ Salem Southern Railway, Salem - 636 005

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Samarth Shamanur files papers even before Cong announces ticket

27-yr-old confident of getting B form; was accompanied by mother Prabha, MP from D'gere

Samarth Shamanur files his papers on Friday

G SUBHASH CHANDRA
@ Davanagere

IN a surprising development, a member of the Shamanur family has entered the bypoll fray in Davanagere South even before the Congress has officially announced its candidate.

Samarth Shamanur, 27, the grandson of the late Congress veteran Shamanur Shivashankarappa, filed two sets of papers — one as Congress candidate without 'B' form and another as an independent — on Friday, to contest the bypolls from Davanagere South Assembly constituency. The seat fell vacant following the demise of Shamanur Shivashankarappa last December. The polling will be held on April 9

Accompanied by his mother, Prabha Mallikarjun, MP from Davanagere, Samarth submitted his papers in two sets to the returning officer of the Davanagere South Assembly constituency and assistant commissioner Santosh. Samarth's father, SS Mallikarjun, is the Horticulture Minister in the Siddaramaiah cabinet and also the Davangere district minister.

This sudden development has put the Congress in a fix as the party is yet to announce its official candidate. According to informed sources, the Congress is expected to finalise its candidate by Sunday, the penultimate day for filing nomination papers.

Uses grandfather's car

Clad in a traditional dhoti, white shirt and a shawl, Samarth didn't leave any stone unturned to ignite the memories of his grandfather, Shamanur Shivashankarappa. Samarth travelled in the car used by his grandfather to file his papers. After cleaning his grandfather's car and performing puja, Samarth went to his grandmother's house in the same car and sought her blessings. From there, he directly reached the office of the election officer on the premises of the Davanagere City Corporation and submitted his nomination.

'Appaji built Congress'

After filing his papers, Samarth said that he is confident of getting the 'B' form from the Congress. "Shamanur Appaji is the one who built the Congress and worked for its development for decades. Therefore, I am filing papers as the Congress candidate. Today is Ugadi and Ramzan. Therefore, I am filing my papers on this auspicious day," he said. In the morning, Samarth took the blessings of family deity Kalleshwara and Goddess Durgambika. Samarth said that he was going to file another set of nomination papers on Monday with the 'B' form after receiving everyone's blessings. "Everyone, including minorities, will be taken into confidence. I will serve the constituency like my grandfather. I will officially file my nomination papers in the presence of state leaders on Monday as soon as I get the B form from the Congress," Samarth said.

Meanwhile, Samarth's mother, Prabha Mallikarjun, who represents Davanagere in the Lok Sabha, said that her son filed his papers symbolically on Friday as it was an auspicious day, "Samarth will officially file his papers on Monday along with the party's 'B' form. The

work done by Shamanur will help us win the bypoll. It is time for the youth to enter politics as they have their own perspective," she said.

Meanwhile, Samarth, continuing his grandfather's tradition, was accompanied by Kuruba and minority leaders when he filed his papers.

Another Congress leader files papers

Congress' Sadiq Pahilwan, too, filed nominations without any affidavit with the returning officer as a party candidate. Pahilwan said that he is waiting for the 'B' form from the Congress and if he doesn't get, he will contest as an independent.

SAMARTH WORTH
₹4.25 crore

Samarth Shamanur, the grandson of former MLA late Shamanur Shivashankarappa, filed nominations for the Davanagere South Assembly by-election. As per the assets declared, the 27-year-old politician is worth Rs 4,25,18,610.10. This comprises movable assets of Rs 2,17,11,792.10 and immovable properties of Rs 2,08,06,818.00. His liabilities run up to Rs 3,52,79,114.00. A graduate from the University of Exeter in London, Samarth has filed nomination both as a Congress candidate as well as an independent. Samarth became a tax payer in 2022-23 with a taxable income of Rs 14,11,220. The next year, it increased to Rs 23,62,460 (2023-24) and Rs 96,05,940 in 2024-25.

Surjewala holds talks; Umesh, Samarth likely candidates

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

AS the stakes are high in the bypolls to Davanagere South and Bagalkot, the ruling Congress is considering no other criteria, except winnability, to pick candidates.

The bypolls to Davanagere South and Bagalkot were necessitated following the demise of Shamanur Shivashankarappa and HY Meti, respectively.

The names of Horticulture Minister SS Mallikarjun's son Samarth, who already filed his nomination papers on Friday, and Meti's son Umesh, an advocate, have been finalised, said Congress sources, adding that an official announcement will be out soon.

But Muslim leaders indicated that they would rebel if a member from their community is not picked.

AICC general secretary and Karnataka in charge Randeep Singh Surjewala, who arrived to finalise candidates, held meetings with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy CM DK Shivakumar and AICC Secretary Abhishek Dutt at a private hotel in Bengaluru. SS Mallikarjun and Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre too were summoned. While receiving Surjewala at the airport, Khandre had backed Samarth's candidature.

Muslim leaders, who got wind of Samarth filing his nomination papers, stepped up their demand for a ticket. Surjewala later held a meeting with them where Housing Minister BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan insisted that the party field a Muslim. Council Chief Whip Saleem Ahmed, Minister Rahim Khan, Rajya Sabha member Nasir Hussain, among others, were present.

Later, Siddaramaiah called them to his official residence Cauvery and convinced them to work unitedly for the party's victory, sources added.

For Bagalkot, Siddaramaiah managed to convince Meti family members of Meti and chose Umesh as party's candidate. He had convinced Meti's daughters — Mahadevi and Bayakka, and son Mallikarjun — by promising to fulfil their certain demands, sources informed *The New Indian Express*.

"You (media) and everybody were sceptical of Congress winning bypolls in the past... but we won... because the people of Karnataka and the poor are with us. We are again going to win the two seats with the blessings of brothers and sisters of Karnataka," Surjewala said.

"Congress is united in Karnataka and other states. Congress believes that even a single person's point must be heard. Every single worker, every single Congress leader has the right to express their aspirations, demands and hope. Then we will decide as a family and work unitedly. India is in a huge crisis, and Congress is the only party the people look forward to," he elaborated.

AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and others hold a meeting in Bengaluru on Friday | EXPRESS

MY TAKE

Voters need to guard against political narratives shaping opinions

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THE immediate trigger for World War II was Germany's invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939. Two days later, Britain and France declared war on Germany. But how did Nazi Germany justify the invasion of Poland? It was by using a trick that is common in political strategies to build narratives for justification. It is called "false-flagging", a covert operation carried out to fix the blame on another party to justify pre-planned actions against it, or build narratives to impress people's views and opinions in a manner to achieve desired goals.

The plan was carried out on August 31, 1939. The scene of the operation – called "Operation Himmler" – was the Gleiwitz radio station, located in Germany, close to the Polish border. As per the news reports, a group of Polish insurgents launched an "unprovoked" attack on the Gleiwitz radio station that was manned by a skeletal German staff, overpowered them, took control of the radio station, and then delivered a speech in Polish to declare that the station was now in Poland's control. They criticized Adolf Hitler, and then "concluded with disgraceful abuse of the Fuhrer," according to the report in the German newspaper, Volkischer Beobachter the next day.

The truth was exposed only during the post-World War II Nuremberg Trials (November 1945 to October 1946), when the second-in-command of Operation Himmler – Alfred Naujocks, a Nazi veteran of the dreaded Schutzstaffel (SS) force – revealed the facts. Operation Himmler was actually planned by Reinhard Heydrich, a high-ranking SS official, a hardcore Hitler loyalist, and an architect of the Holocaust. Naujocks testified that Heydrich had ordered him to seize the radio station for a Polish-speaking German to be brought to broadcast an anti-Hitler speech. Twelve inmates from Dachau concentration camp in Southern Germany were brought dressed in Polish army uniforms, given fatal injections and shot to show they were Polish attackers killed in the counterattack by the Germans while recapturing the radio station.

The operation ended at 8pm to allow time for visiting foreign media to inform the world that Poland had attacked Germany. The next day, Volkischer Beobachter – a Nazi propaganda tool – carried a pre-printed news report, detailing the "Polish attack", and announcing that "Poland has chosen war" while portraying Germany as the victim of aggression by Poland.

At daybreak on September 1, 1939, Hitler ordered the already lined up German armoured and infantry divisions on the Polish border to invade Poland with the "Polish attack" on Gleiwitz radio station as the justification. The world was fooled... until the truth came out – the intervening period claiming about 80 million lives in the most catastrophic war in human history!

False-flagging is an extreme form of narrative-building. Political narratives are being built to justify actions, and the current war in West Asia is very much a part of that scheme. The world continues to be fooled by narratives. Let's not forget that even we are being fooled in our own country and state, constantly being bombarded by political narratives by parties across the board. And it's difficult for people, who politicians woo for votes by discrediting their opponents, to distinguish a genuine narrative from a false one. In many cases, people even fail to identify a narrative as one, and simply believe it.

Today, social media and artificial intelligence (AI) help reach out to people across the world with narratives – false-flagged or otherwise – leading to easier shaping of people's opinions by the perpetrators against their opponents. Disinformation is amplified, wrong theories are floated to paint the targeted parties as wrong-doers, facts are deflected, and leaders unjustly discredited. Political narratives are built by structuring stories, posting AI-generated images, building myths, and lending them legitimacy, while the objectives include bringing disrepute to the targeted parties, sabotaging plans or schemes of ruling dispensations by building negative opinions about them, and shaping mass psychology among voters aimed at generating support for the perpetrating party. This is a potent tool in politics as people's psychology plays a vital role in the process.

The easier way for people to identify the credibility of narratives is to focus on tangible narratives rather than intangible ones. Tangible narratives pertain to those which people can see, perceive and feel directly – like quality of infrastructure, electricity or water supply, education, healthcare, people's security, mobility, and even freedom of expression or the lack of it. Performance of respective elected representatives, too, counts to form more credible opinions, wherein narratives are not required at all. It is the intangible narratives – dealing with abstracts like ideologies, national identity, memory and reputation – which make it easier for politicians and their parties to influence voters' minds.

A salesman may resort to impressive sales talks to promote mediocre – even substandard – products to impress prospective customers into buying them. But in this case, the minds of people could be compromised by using falsehood, with their own future at stake – and that deals with our country, our state, our city, our town, our village, our living spaces... for that matter, our very world and life!

Srinivas has assets across Karnataka

BJP's Srinivas T Daskariyappa files his papers in Davanagere on Friday

DAVANAGERE: BJP candidate T Srinivas Daskariyappa (45), a first-time contestant, has studied up to pre-university at DRM Science College and completed it in 1999-2000. Srinivas has no pending criminal cases. He has Rs 3,60,000 cash in hand, his wife has Rs 90,000 and mother Rs 5,000. Srinivas has Rs 12,26,490 in various banks, his wife has Rs 4,065 and mother has Rs 9,987 in bank accounts. Srinivas has 120gm of gold ornaments worth Rs 15lakh, his wife has 120gm of gold worth Rs 15lakh and mother has 100gm of gold worth Rs 12lakh. Srinivas has a car and four two-wheelers in his name.

Land and plots

Apart from 20.39 acres of self-acquired agricultural land at Lingapura Tumbigere Igooru worth Rs 1,13,67,500, Srinivas has industrial plots at Vasantha Narasapura (Plot No 565), Doddaballapura (Plot No 14, 13), Davanagere Dollars Colony (Plot No 257), Kunduvada (Plot No 4141/80, 81 and 49) of various dimensions worth Rs 1,20,82,091. He also has two houses in Siddaveerappa Layout and Chigateri Layout of Davanagere. All the properties are valued at Rs 5,41,52,053. Srinivas also has loans of Rs 2,96,640 and his mother has loans of Rs 2,25,827

MOVABLE ASSETS
SELF: ₹34,79,490
WIFE: ₹15,94,065
MOTHER: ₹12,14,98
IMMOVABLE ASSETS
AGRICULTURE LAND: ₹5,41,52,053
LOANS
SELF: ₹2,96,640
MOTHER: ₹2,25,827

BJP'S SRINIVAS FILES PAPERS, CONFIDENT OF WIN

G SUBHASH CHANDRA
@ Davanagere

BJP candidate Srinivas T Daskariyappa on Friday filed his nomination papers to fight the April 9 bypoll to the Davanagere South Assembly constituency. The seat fell vacant following the death of Congress veteran Shamanur Shivashankarappa in December.

Srinivas, accompanied by his supporters Rajanahalli Shivakumar, Yashwant Rao Jadav, BJ Ajaykumar submitted his papers after Samarth Shamanur submitted his nomination in the afternoon.

Speaking after filing his papers, Srinivas exuded confidence of winning the bypoll.

He said that the failure of the State Congress Government since coming to power in 2023 will help him win the bypoll. He further said that the constituency was lagging behind in health, education, roads and other infrastructure. Srinivas also said that he is going to file another set of nomination papers on Monday in the presence of state and national leaders with the returning officer Santosh.

Former MP Dr GM Siddeshwara, who was successful in getting a ticket for his supporter, urged BJP workers not to make any statement that could benefit the Congress.

Meanwhile, Ahinda leader and head of Insights IAS academy GB Vinaykumar told *TNIE* that he will work for the victory of BJP candidate Srinivas T Daskariyappa.

YATNAL TARGETS STATE BJP LEADERSHIP

BELAGAVI: MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal launched a blistering attack on state BJP leadership, alleging a covert understanding between state party chief BY Vijayendra, party veteran BS Yediyurappa and the Shamanur family of the Congress. Yatnal claimed that the alleged nexus raises doubts over whether certain BJP leaders are genuinely working for the party's interests. "There appears to be an understanding between the Yediyurappa family and Shamanur family. Whether they will truly work for the BJP is questionable," he said. Yatnal alleged that if Congress fields a Muslim candidate in Davanagere South, it would not be surprising if BJP reciprocates by offering a ticket to Samarth. "I have 100% information about these developments," he asserted.

INDEFATIGABLE NONAGENARIAN

Why Gowda remains a political catalyst

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

AT a time when many politicians rely on stimulants like endless cups of tea, coffee or energy drinks to sustain demanding schedules, JDS veteran HD Deve Gowda stands out as an exception. At 94, the former Prime Minister and current Rajya Sabha MP continues to display extraordinary political agility, high level of energy and engagement in public life.

Recent political exchanges have again brought Deve Gowda into the spotlight. In a politically loaded letter, he reportedly advised Sonia Gandhi regarding her son, Rahul Gandhi, suggesting he should avoid symbolic gestures such as sitting on Parliament steps with tea and biscuits. Though it conflicts with his own actions in the Vidhana Soudha in the run up to being elected Karnataka CM in 1994, where his supporters roughed up veteran Ramakrishna Hegde, the comment reflects Gowda's propensity to speak his mind.

Despite his advancing age and at the end of his Rajya Sabha term, Gowda's political future remains a subject of active discussion. Observers note that even with his party's modest parliamentary strength, he could return to the Upper House. According to a close aide, the veteran leader has the enthusiasm of a first-time politician, maintains a rigorous schedule and is actively involved in political affairs.

In one such instance when AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge commented that Gowda

had courted the Congress but married PM Modi, Gowda asked who was responsible for the defection of 17 MLAs -- an apparent reference to internal Congress dynamics and criticism of Siddaramaiah. Gowda said his relationship with the Congress had been an 'abusive' one.

The relationship between Gowda and Siddaramaiah has long been marked by deep political rivalry, and includes Gowda's decision to expel Siddaramaiah from the JDS, an episode that continues to shape political narratives in Karnataka.

Political analyst Murthy BS sums it up: Gowda's six-decade career, deep understanding of Karnataka's political psyche, and disciplined public conduct set him apart. He avoids abusive rhetoric, maintains strategic focus and sustains a largely Vokkaliga support base -- qualities many younger politicians struggle to replicate.

At an age when most have stepped back, Deve Gowda is still stepping forward, proving that stamina, strategy and sharp instincts can outlast political timeout.

Co-operative Apex Bank comes under RTI Act: SIC

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Information Commission has ruled that the Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank qualifies as a public authority under the Right to Information Act, 2005, directing it to comply with provisions of the transparency law.

State Information Commissioner Rajashekara S in his order has directed the Apex Bank to appoint Public Information Officers (PIOs) and First Appellate Authorities (FAAs) across its offices and comply with the proactive disclosure requirements under Sections 4(1)(A) and 4(1)(B) of the RTI Act.

The SIC also instructed the Principal Secretary of the Co-operation Department and the Registrar of Cooperative Societies to ensure that the bank implements the RTI framework without delay. In order to examine the action taken the hearing of the case has been adjourned to April 9.

The authorities with the Apex Bank are likely to contest the SIC's order by moving the High Court as the Bank is not a 'State', according to a source. "I think this (SIC's) is a correct judgment on the law and Apex Bank does not have much legal ground to contest it. The only debatable point is whether SIC can say Apex Bank is "State" for the purposes of Article 12 but that is not the basis for this decision. The Apex Bank is certainly "public authority" for the purposes of the RTI Act and should have long ago started implementing it," said Alok Prasanna Kumar, co-founder of Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy.

Farmers, who suffered financial losses due to adverse weather conditions, continue to remain in distress as a large number of insurance claims are yet to be settled. A total of 1,47,130 farmers who applied under the Weather-based Crop Insurance Scheme for 2024-25 are still awaiting compensation, with Rs 192.17 crore pending

Didn't think twice: Bizman on daring rescue of girl

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AND it was coming from the well that is 50 feet deep. They peered inside, but could not see the bottom of the well, from where the little girl's cry for help was coming.

That was when Good Samaritan Payyu Chowti, who is their neighbour, came out to rescue the child. "I had planned to go to Bengaluru and was about to go to have a bath when I heard women screaming. I went near the well and checked. I could see only the girl's clothes, but not her. Somebody came with a rope. Without a second thought, I tied one end to a post, and held on to the other end and got into the well. The girl's clothes were stuck to a pipe and she was not harmed," he said. He held onto the girl, while people who had gathered around pulled him and the child to safety.

The video of the rescue has gone viral. Jayamma said, "We thought we had lost the girl. Thanks to Payyu Chowti, she was saved." Saying that he never had an experience of getting into a well, Chowti said, "It was the question of that little girl's life. I weigh 84 kg, but my only thought was to save the toddler. If I had hesitated and had something untoward happened to her, I would have never forgiven myself," he said. Though the child fell deep into the well, she had not sustained any injuries.

A businessman, Chowti also heads Sarika Seva Samithi, an organisation that works for the welfare of the poor and downtrodden.

Pvt buses caused 3,823 accidents in six years

Fatalities rose by 120% between 2020 and 2025, reveals data

KARTHIK KK @ Mysuru

A troubling rise in private bus accidents over the past six years raised serious concerns about road safety enforcement, vehicle maintenance, and operator accountability in Karnataka.

According to data available with *TNIE*, a total of 3,823 accidents involving private buses were reported between 2020 and 2025. The data reveals a consistent and alarming upward trend across all parameters of accidents, fatalities and injuries. These incidents have claimed 1,127 lives and left 7,149 people injured, pointing to a growing public safety crisis. From 335 accidents in 2020 to 847 in 2025, the numbers have more than doubled marking a staggering 153% increase. Fatalities also risen by over 120%, while injuries have nearly tripled during the same period.

FACTFILE

Year	Accidents	Deaths	Injuries
2020	335	114	675
2021	443	117	651
2022	672	199	1,227
2023	743	202	1,292
2024	783	242	1,501
2025	847	253	1,803

There is a clear need for stricter monitoring, including real-time tracking of pvt buses, surprise inspections, and stricter penalties for repeat offenders —Madhu, transport expert

Officials and road safety experts attribute the rise to a mix of driver negligence, technical failures, and frequent violations of traffic norms.

"There is a clear need for stricter monitoring, including real-time tracking of private buses, surprise inspections, and stricter penalties for repeat offenders," said Madhu, a transport expert from Mysuru. The steady rise in injuries from 675 in 2020 to 1,803 in 2025 highlights the growing risk faced by daily commuters.

Over-speeding, reckless driving to maximise trips, poor vehicle maintenance, and fatigue among drivers have emerged as recurring factors. There is also concern about overloading, unauthorised route deviations, and lack of regular fitness checks, particularly among privately operated buses that often prioritise profit over passenger safety. Despite periodic crackdowns by transport and police authorities, enforcement appears inconsistent.

FESTIVAL FEAST

People queue up outside a mutton shop for 'Hosa Todaku' (a non-vegetarian feast), a traditional festival celebrated on the day following Ugadi or the Kannada New Year, in Bengaluru, on Friday | EXPRESS

Youth killed, body burnt to destroy evidence

Hassan: A youth was allegedly murdered over financial issues and miscreants burnt the body to destroy evidence near Chinnenahalli village of Arsikere on Thursday. According to the police, the miscreants murdered Varun KM (24) of Chinnenahalli elsewhere and dumped the body near Jenukal Siddeshwaraswamy Hill shrine. They first smashed his forehead with a stone. Gandasi police have registered a missing complaint on March 15 and a murder case after tracing the body on March 20. A financial issue is said to be the reason. **ENS**

Sumathi Nayak seeks suo motu case against Moodbidri inspector

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@ Mangaluru

SUMATHI Nayak, a resident of Karkala, has demanded that police register a suo motu case against Moodabidri police inspector Sandesh, who has been suspended from duty over an alleged sexual harassment case. She has also urged authorities to examine his mobile phone and bank statements as part of a thorough investigation.

Nayak said that audio and video clips circulating on social media clearly capture the inspector speaking obscenely and dancing in a police uniform. She asserted that this evidence is sufficient to initiate a suo motu case against him. However, she alleged that senior police officials are trying to protect the officer, raising serious concerns about the transparency and fairness of the Mangaluru police investigation.

She further claimed that despite a complaint filed by Prafulla Naik's son with the district legal authority, and directions reportedly issued by a judge to register an FIR, no action has been taken so far.

Responding to allegations against her, Nayak said her sister, Prafulla Naik, is making baseless claims to defame her family. She denied accusations related to a prostitution case at Madivala Police Station, stating she was given a clean chit and has documents to support her claim.

IIMB hits record high placements with 664 offers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) has recorded its largest-ever placement cycle this academic year, with 596 students from different programmes securing 664 offers from 177 organisations.

For the Post Graduate Programme (PGPV) and Post Graduation Programme Business Analytics (PGPBA) class of 2024-26, 45% of offers went to management consulting, followed by 15% in Tech/Product Management and 11% in Investment Banking.

Professor Nishant Kumar Verma, Chairperson, Career Development Services (CDS) and faculty of Production and Operations Management, IIMB, said, "The process have exceeded expectations, both in terms of the number of offers made and the diversity of roles across sectors. Both existing and new relationships have led to favourable outcomes." Tapas Ranjan Pati, head of CDS, said, "We witnessed robust participation across sectors such as FMCG, retail, e-commerce, conglomerates, fintech, healthcare, and manufacturing. We would like to highlight Accenture Strategy's record number of offers".

Top recruiters by number of offers this year were Accenture (101), Boston Consulting Group (29), Bain and Company (23), EY-Parthenon (23), American Express (15), Kearney (13), and Tata Consultancy Services (11).

IN THE COURT OF THE FIRST ADDITLONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE RURAL

OS. 1890/2019

Sri. Rangaswamy .T S/o. Late Thopaiah, Since dead Rep. by Legal Representatives and ors ...Plaintiff

V/s

Smt. Narayanmma @ Nagarasamma and ors ...Defendants

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT No. 2

Smt. Nagamma aged about 71 years, W/o Late Chennappa @ Chnnegowda, R/at: 3rd Cross, Anjanan Nagara, Muddayyanapalya Road, Bangalore 560 091.

Please take notice that the plaintiffs named above have filed the above suit against Defendants. Since you are not available for service of I.A notices through the court process server, the court has directed the plaintiffs to issue I.A notices of the above suit to you through paper publication. Hence, this publication. Therefore you are hereby called upon to appear in person or through an advocate in the above suit before the above said Honourable Court **on 02.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M.** If you are so interested to defend yourselves in the said suit. If you fail to appear on the said date and time before the said Hon'ble Court, the matter will be decided in your absence according to the merits of the suit placing you ex-parte by the court.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No. 106 situated at Uttari Dakhale, Kaggalipura Grama panchayath, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring 35 Guntas and bounded on:- **East by :** Reddikere Tank, **West by :** Govt.Land, **North by :** Reddikere Channel, **South by :** Shanbaugh's property.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 17th day of March 2026.

By order of the Court, CHIEF MINISTERIAL OFFICER, Senior Civil Judge Court, Bengaluru Rural Dist., Bengaluru.

Advocate for Plaintiffs : **G. Chandrashekar**
No. 27/1, Chandraok Apartments,
5th Cross, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that our Client/s **Mr. Nagaraj. B.P , Smt. Padma. B.P,** and **Mr. Prakash. B.P** proposes to purchase the immovable property more vividly described in the Schedule herein below and hereinafter, referred to as the Schedule Property from its owners Smt. Nirmala (Sy No. 118/4) , Sri. Raveendra. K.S @ Ravindra. K.S, Smt. Latha, Sri, Santhosh Gowda.K.R, Smt. Dakshitha.K.R, (Sy No. 118/5) Sri. Shivalingegowda, Smt. Ningamma (Sy Nos. 118/6 and 128/1). We are instructed from our Clients to investigate the marketable title and lawful possession of the above owners over the Schedule Property and accordingly, we have undertaken the scrutiny of documents and preparation of due diligence report.

Therefore, if any persons, entity, firm, institution (corporate or otherwise), agreement holders or power of attorney holders or persons claiming testamentary rights or otherwise, seeking any right, title, interest, claim, pending litigation or any other nature of legal rights, either against the aforesaid property owners or any of them or against the Schedule Properties or any part thereof, in any manner whatsoever, are hereby called upon to send their claims with supporting documents to the undersigned within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice for consideration. Our Client/s makes it clear that any objections or claims received after the expiry of fifteen (15) days shall not be considered by our Client/s and such belated objections, if any, shall be treated by our Client/s as waived by such claimants and our Client/s will proceed to complete sale transaction treating such claims as not binding on our Client.

Schedule Property

Schedule A Property : Owner: Smt. Nirmala

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing old Sy No. 118, new No. 118/4, measuring an extent of 1 acre 10 guntas out of 8 acres 09 guntas, situated at Bhuhalli Village, Satanuru Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru south district and bounded on: East by: Property of Ravindra; West by: Property of Ningamma; North by: Property of Rajalingegowda and Marigowda; South by: Road.

Schedule B Property : Owner: Sri. Raveendra K.S, Smt.Latha, Sri, Santhosh Gowda K.R, Smt.Dakshitha.K.R

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing old Sy No. 118, new No. 118/5, measuring an extent of 3 acres 19 guntas out of 8 acres 09 guntas, situated at Bhuhalli Village, Satanuru Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru south district and bounded on: East by: Property of Shivalingegowda; West by: Property of Nirmala; North by: Property of Rajalingegowda and Marigowda; South by: Road.

Schedule C Property : Owner: Sri. Shivalingegowda, Smt. Ningamma

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing old Sy No. 118, new No. 118/6, measuring an extent of 10 guntas out of 8 acres 09 guntas, situated at Bhuhalli Village, Satanuru Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru south district and bounded on: East by: Property of Lingaiah S/o Thoti Mugaiah; West by: Property of Ravindra K.S; North by: Property of Shivalingegowda Sy No. 128/1; South by: Road.

Schedule D Property : Owner: Sri. Shivalingegowda, Smt. Ningamma

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Sy No. 128/1, measuring an extent of 22 guntas, situated at Bhuhalli village, Satanuru Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru south district and bounded on: East by: Property of LA HI No. 3,4; West by: Property of LA SA No. 118; North by: Property of Block No.2; South by: Property of LA SA No. 118

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BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION

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No.: BWCC/EE(SD)/RRNZ-1/TEND/04/2025-26 Date: 20.03.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Two Cover System)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal Only)

The Executive Engineer, Special Division, R.R. Nagara Zone-1 invites tenders from eligible bidders for the work detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of Work
1	Establishing Control Room and supplying of other equipments for 12 months R.R. Nagara Zone-1 for the year 2025-26. **Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in Lakhs): 182.00, EMD (in Rs.): 2,73,000/-**

Calender of Events: (1) Tender document may be downloaded from KPP Portal of the Government of Karnataka from **23.03.2026** onwards. **(2)** Last date and time for tender queries: **25.03.2026** upto **4:00 p.m. (3)** Pre-bid meeting at the Office of Executive Engineer, Special Division, RR Nagara Zone-1, BWCC: **26.03.2026** at **11:00 a.m. (4)** Last date for submission of tender documents: **04.04.2026** upto **5:30 p.m. (5)** Opening of Technical bid: **06.04.2026** at **11:00 a.m. (5)** Opening of Financial bid: **Will be intimated to the Technically Qualified Bidders. (6)** In the event of the specified date of tender opening being declared a holiday for the employer, the tenders will be opened at the appointed time and location on the next working day. Further details can be obtained from the above office during working hours or from the website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Special Division,
R.R. Nagara Zone-1, Bengaluru West City Corporation

WESTERN RAILWAY

STORES DEPARTMENT

E-AUCTION SALE DURING APRIL 2026 FOR P-WAY & OTHER VARIOUS SCRAP

SPECIAL ATTENTION: ALL STEEL PURCHASERS & RE-ROLLERS

Public e-auction for disposal of P. way scrap, rail scrap & other various scrap material will be held in **APRIL 2026** as per program given below:

1st ROUND	2nd ROUND	DEPOT / DIVISION	OFFICER IN CHARGE	CONTACT NO.
06/04/2026	16/04/2026	RATLAM	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-RTM.	07412230080 09752492750
06/04/2026	24/04/2026	DAHOD	Deputy Chief Materials Manager-DHD	02673241295 09724090455
07/04/2026	17/04/2026	VADODARA	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-BRC	02652641592 09724091750
08/04/2026	23/04/2026	AHMEDABAD	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-ADI	07922205888 09724093750
09/04/2026	21/04/2026	MUMBAI CENTRAL	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-MMCT	022-23094142 09004499006
09/04/2026	22/04/2026	PRATAPNAGAR	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-BRC	02652641592 09724091750
10/04/2026	23/04/2026	SABARMATI	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-SBI	02812476943 09724094770
10/04/2026	24/04/2026	RAJKOT	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-RJT	02812476943 09724094770
16/04/2026	28/04/2026	MAHALAXMI	Deputy Chief Materials Manager-MX	022-24929571 09004495750
16/04/2026	28/04/2026	PARDI	Deputy Chief Materials Manager-MX	022-24929571 09004495750
17/04/2026	29/04/2026	BHAVNAGAR	Sr. Divisional Materials Manager-BVP	02782444360 09724097750

For detailed information please contact the concerned Depot/Divisional Officers.

Note: 1. Railway reserves the right to withdraw any lot from e-Auction. **2.** e-Auction will start at as per scheduled time. **3.** e-Auction catalogues will be available on site www.ireps.gov.in e-Auction portal. **4.** In case of any assistance required regarding e-Auction, digital signatures. Registration procedure and participation, please contact above mentioned Depot/Divisional Officer. **5.** All payment transactions shall be done through the online payment gateway.

(No.S/SIII/Auction Programme-1/APRIL2026, Dated 09.03.2026)

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KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

Karnataka Housing Board Building Communities

3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560009.

Tender Notification

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

Notification No: KHB/CE/AEF/S&S Works/Shivamogga/KHB/SE0353 Date: 10.03.2026

Karnataka Housing Board has invited tender through KPP Portal for Appointment of Architectural Engineering Firm (AEF) for the work of Proposed Development of sites and services scheme in an extent of 49 Acre 12 Guntas at Sy No.84, Karehalli Village, Kasaba-1 Hobli, Bhadravathi Taluk, Shivamogga District.

Last date for submission of bid is on 27.03.2026 upto 4.00 PM

For further information, contact below mentioned office address: Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru. Telephone No: 080-22273511/080-22100077, Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/6384/AKAR/2025-26

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Consentors(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred till the date of payment and/or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	32909630000572 & 32909630000609	1) Mrs. Hemavathi, 2) Mr. Lakkanna, 3) Mr. Shivaraju L	08.01.2026 **Rs.43,86,773.29** (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three and Twenty Nine Paisa Only) **due as on 04-01-2026**	**Date: 18-03-2026 Time: 11:45 AM Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.218, formed in Sy.No.14, situated at Srinivasapura Colony, Gangagallu Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore and **Bounded on the: East by:** Site No.217, **West by:** Site No.219, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.272. Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq.feet.			
2	46459630000387 & 46459630002265	1) Mrs. Munirathnamma N, 2) Mrs. Chandrika B M	08.01.2026 **Rs.8,18,522.61** (Rupees Eight Lakh Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Two and Sixty One Paisa Only) **due as on 06-01-2026**	**Date: 18.03.2026 Time: 09:55 AM Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing E-Katha No.211/145, ID No.150300401000600292, situated at Bhaktarahalli Village, Hosakote Block, Bangalore Rural District, presently comes under the limits of Doddagattiganabbe Grama Panchayath and **Bounded on the: East by:** House of Hamsagiriyamma, **West by:** House of Nagappa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** House of Rathnamma. Measuring East to West 8.8392 mtrs and North to South 12.192 mtrs, in all measuring 107.76 Sq.mtrs.			
3	45389410000925 & 45389630000234	1) Mrs. Lathamma, 2) Mr. Kumar N C, 3) Mr. Sharadamma	12-11-2025 **Rs.3,04,671.12** (Rupees Three Lakh Four Thousand Six Hundred Seventy One and Twelve Paisa Only) **due as on 09-11-2025**	**Date: 18/03/2026 Time: 01:16 PM Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel Property bearing Khaneshumari No.68/96 measuring East to West 16 feet and North to South 20 feet, totally measuring 320 Sq.feet, situated at Madalakote Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **Bounded on: East by:** House Belongs to Hanumaiah, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Own House belongs to Puttamma, **South by:** Road.			

Whereas the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural	**Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Date: 20.03.2026	**For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK (A Scheduled Commercial Bank)
Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

KARNATAKA EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY

Government of Karnataka

Sampige Road, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560 012 Phone: 080-23 460 460 (5 Lines)
e-mail:keauthority-ka@nic.in Website: https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/

No. ED/KEA/ REC/CR-01 /2026 **Date: 18-03-2026**

NOTIFICATION

PGCET-2026 - Admission to 1st Year / 1st Semester MBA, MCA, M.E., M. Tech., M. Architecture Courses

1. Online application is invited from the eligible interested Karnataka and non-Karnataka candidates for admission to 1st year / 1st semester full time / part time MBA, MCA, M.E. / M. Tech. / M. Architecture courses in the institutions affiliated Universities which will be notified by the Government of Karnataka for the year 2026-27.
2. Interested candidates have to appear for PGCET-2026 conducted by Karnataka Examinations Authority to become eligible for admission to **MBA, MCA, M.E. / M. Tech** courses as per 2005 and 2011 PGCET rules and its amendments.
   # M.E. / M.Tech examination will be conducted only for **Civil Engineering, Computer Science Engineering, Mechanical Sciences, and Electrical Sciences subjects.**

The Post Graduate Common Entrance Test-2026 Time Table is as follows:

Date	Timings	Admission to 1st Year / 1st Semester	Number of questions	Total Marks	Method of exam
23-05-2026 SATURDAY	2.30 pm to 4.30 pm	**# M.E. / M. Tech ***	100	100	PGCET will be conducted through OMR. Question paper will be of Objective Multiple Choice type.
24-05-2026 SUNDAY	10.30 am to 12.30 pm	MCA	100	100	
	2.30 pm to 4.30 pm	MBA	100	100	

(*Non-programmable calculators are allowed for M.E. / M.Tech. examination only)

3. SYLLABUS: PGCET-2026 syllabus is hosted on the KEA Website for the information of the candidates.
4. In accordance with the Government letter No. ED 161 TEC 2025 dated 27-06-2025, PGCET entrance examination will NOT be conducted for Bio-Technology, Chemical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Polymer Science, and Textile Technology subjects, further for admission to these subjects based on the marks obtained in the respective Degree Examination; further,
5. For admission to M. Architecture courses, candidates should qualify in PGETA-2026 conducted by Council of Architecture, New Delhi and;
6. it is mandatory for the candidates to register online for Karnataka PGCET-2026, submit an online application and pay the application fee.
7. GATE qualified candidates in Engineering and Technology discipline are only eligible to take admission to Various M.Tech Programmes under VTU, Belgaum. The candidates with valid GATE score should compulsorily enter application online to become eligible for admission to M.E. / M. Tech / M. Architecture courses, **but they need not appear for PGCET-2026.**
8. Candidates who do not fulfil any of the eligibility clauses specified in the **PGCET-2026 e-Information Bulletin** will be considered **non-Karnataka candidates (clause-n).** Such candidates will be eligible for admission to **MBA/MCA programs only against the seats, if any, that are surrendered by the management during the admission process.** Please note that SC/ST/OBC eligibility criteria are applicable to Karnataka SC/ST/OBC candidates only.
9. Before registering through online for admission to PG courses, applicants have to compulsorily read Information Bulletin, detailed notification and understand the eligibility conditions, educational qualification, classification of seats and eligibility to claim such seats hosted on the KEA Website.
10. For admission to MBA / MCA / M.E. / M.Tech / M. Architecture courses through KEA for the year 2026, interested and eligible candidates have to register and apply online, **from 11.00 am onwards on 23-03-2026 up to 11.59 pm on 08-04-2026.** Fee has to be paid **on or before 10-04-2026.**
11. *All the admissions and undergraduate Degrees to claim eligibility for admission to any of the PG courses are subject to approval of the Government / VTU / other respective University.*
12. Candidates are advised to visit KEA Website **https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/** for more details notification regarding admission rules, eligibility clauses and various schedules.

Sd/-
(H. Prasanna, IAS),
Executive Director.

DIPR/CP/JA/6370/2025-26

In response to severe losses suffered by mango growers due to unseasonal hailstorms in Kalaghatagi taluk, Union Minister Pralhad Joshi has directed officials to conduct a crop survey to ensure compensation for the affected farmers

TERM OF ELECTED BODIES ENDS

Shortage of administrators, PDOs hits GPs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

WITH the term of elected bodies of 5,746 of the 5,944 gram panchayats ending, the state government has appointed administrators to them.

However, due to a severe staff crunch, one administrator is handling two to three gram panchayats. And in the absence of elected members and some panchayats having no panchayat development officers (PDOs), redressal of people's grievances has taken a severe beating.

Moreover, implementation of schemes such as VB–G RAM G or MGNREGA is likely to be affected. Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge revealed this while replying to an unstarred question by BJP MLA Harish Poonja. As per data, in some districts, one administrator has been appointed to manage two to three gram panchayats. As many as 188 gram panchayats are without administrators because of the shortage of officials. Kharge said these officials have to attend to complaints such as drinking water shortage during summer, attacks by wild animals, delay in garbage disposal, etc. He said that he wrote to all deputy commissioners in January to appoint administrators to gram panchayats whose term is nearing completion.

MLA Nikhil Umesh Katti also drew the attention of the government to 998 vacant posts of PDO. BJP MLC DS Arun Kumar, who has been elected from a local authorities' constituency, told TNIE that the government knew very well that the term of gram panchayats will end soon. "I had sent several letters to the government in this regard. Work on delimitation of wards has to be done. Then, the officials have to work on reservation of wards for members from respective categories. Also, in the last five years, many gram panchayats have been upgraded or have been added to urban local bodies. New panchayats have to be carved. All these will take at least four to five months," he said. Sources in the RDPR Department said the gram panchayats have been told to issue e-khata for property owners. But with no senior officials, it will be difficult to manage this work.

"From April 1, the Union government's VB–G RAM G will come into force instead of MNREGA. MNREGA cards will not be applicable for VB–G RAM G benefits. The state government moved a resolution in the House last month rejecting VB–G RAM G. This confusion will lead to chaos in gram panchayats," sources said.

Review meets on 2nd, 4th Mondays

RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge said the chief executive officers of zilla panchayats have been directed to hold review meetings with PDOs on the second and fourth Mondays for the next three months on drinking water and other issues in villages. He instructed them to set up 24/7 control rooms and form task forces in taluks under executive officers to tackle the issues.

Flames rise in Kerekatte zone of the Kudremukh National Park, where a large area was reduced to ash

Fire destroys 18 acres in Kudremukh National Park

CHIKKAMAGALURU: A wildfire that broke out in the famous Kudremukh National Park caused immense damage to a vast stretch of the forest area. Fire was first sighted in the Manikya Betta and Valikunja Giri ranges of the Kerekatte Forest zone, and it rapidly spread to the adjoining areas, leading to destruction of 18 acres. It is said that some miscreants set fire to the grassland of the Shola forest at 25 points. Blazing fire was visible from far-off places. Locals have expressed anger towards the Forest Department for its apathy in taking preventive measures to douse the fire and protect the green forest. They alleged that money was being spent on recruiting firefighting forest watchers, but their absence in the field work was conspicuous. **ENS**

Farmers, foresters scuffle over C and D land issue

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Madikeri

THE tension between the forest department and farmers in Kodagu grew further as foresters attempted to evict a coffee estate over C and D land issue. However, hundreds of farmers gathered at the spot and prevented the officials from carrying out the eviction process.

Amidst the increasing man-wildlife conflict across the district, the issue of C and D land concerning the forest department is also haunting hundreds of farmers. Following massive protests and struggles, the state formed a special committee to study the C and D land issue and submit a report. Meanwhile, the department had assured not to clear any land until the report is submitted to the state by the special committee.

However, on Wednesday, forest officials arrived at Masagodu village in Somwarpet limits to clear 2.10 acre of coffee estate under the survey number 24/1. Over 20 department staff who arrived at the spot were opposed by hundreds of farmers who gathered under the leadership of Raitha Horata Samithi. "The state has given a six months deadline for the special committee to study and submit a report on C and D land. It is not right that the department is now suddenly taking up the eviction process," spoke Suresh Chakravarthy, the president of the Raitha Horata Samithi. He alleged that the concerned coffee grower was served notice about eviction from the department at 6.30 pm on Tuesday and the department had come for eviction within 24 hours.

Farmers face off forest department staff during eviction process | EXPRESS

The farmers alleged that amidst the man-wildlife conflict, the department is further oppressing the farmers. They warned that they would launch a struggle across the district against the department.

A scuffle broke out between the farmers and foresters even as the farmers demanded the presence of higher officials. More than 20 personnel of the Forest Department had arrived, but hundreds of farmers gathered at the spot and protested. "We will sacrifice our lives...We will not leave even a single piece of land," echoed the farmers. Following strong opposition, the department staff returned without carrying out the eviction.

Filming stunts results in teen's death

MALLIKARJUN HIREMATH
@ Dharwad

THE tragic demise of a teenager in Hubballi while filming stunts for Instagram on Thursday, has sent shockwaves. The victim, Namish Sanglad (15), a resident of Hubballi, was hit by a vehicle driven by one of his companion.

Namish and four companions had orchestrated a plan to create a captivating reel. The filming took place on an open road situated between Unkal and Tharihal (Mahalakshmi Layout). Eyewitnesses suggest it was intended to be a thrilling spectacle involving speed.

BJP leaders have expressed their condolences regarding Namish's untimely death, as he was the son of a prominent BJP leader. Onlookers reported that the car was travelling at an alarming speed, with estimates suggesting it exceeded 140 km/hour. A peer of similar age was behind the wheel of the luxurious vehicle when Namish attempted to cross its path, resulting in the tragic collision. It remains uncertain whether he was recording the event or if anyone inside the car was capturing the moment.

"Upon impact, he was propelled 10 feet away. However, due to the severity of the impact in head, he succumbed to his injuries on spot. Later, he was taken to the hospital," witnesses said. Police stated that a case has been registered at the Vidyanagar police station. Namish had been visiting his parents during his school break to celebrate the festival, making this incident all the more tragic.

"The police are actively investigating the individuals involved in the reel production and the vehicles utilised. Thus far, it has come to light that all the teenagers were friends who had taken their parents' vehicles, as they all hail from affluent families," the officer said.

Hippo was sick, victim tried to check its temp

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AMARAKSHAR, Executive Director, Tiger and Lion Sanctuary, said, "The hippo had not moved from near the water for the last three to four days. Dr Samiksha had come to the zoo to treat a bird. As the hippo was sick, she tried to check its body temperature with a thermal camera when she was attacked. Samiksha joined the zoo as a trainee doctor on February 1. We don't know what instructions senior veterinary officers had given her when she went near the hippo at night. We will discuss this internally and fully cooperate with the investigation."

Dr Samiksha's uncle asked, "Why was a trainee vet doctor sent near such a dangerous animal alone? She was from Sakalavara village in Bengaluru and she was the only daughter to her parents. Last night, the authorities called her parents and told them that she had suffered serious injuries in the stomach in an attack by a hippopotamus. It was not right to send a trainee doctor near a giant animal like a hippo."

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KARNATAKA RURAL INFRASTUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LTD.
(Formerly Karnataka Land Army Corporation Limited)
No.1106, 10th Main Road, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560040

No.EE-4/KRIDL/TENDER/2025-26/1274 Dated:20.03.2026

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Managing Director, KRIDL, Executive Engineer, BBMP Division-4, invites e-tender through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) for the works with Tender Reference No.(KRIDL/ 2025- 26/RD/WORK_INDENT 34, 35, 36, and 37 respectively) under two cover system with Approximate Project cost for each works amounting to Rs.995.00 Lakhs and EMD Amount of Rs.13.50 Lakhs. Interested Contractors/Firms who wish to participate in the tender can view, download and apply only through KPPP https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. The schedule of specified Tenders are as under;

Tender Publish Date	20.03.2026
Last date and time for online queries	27.03.2026, 17:30
Date and time for Pre-Bid Meeting	02.04.2026, 11:30
Last date and time for receipt of tender	09.04.2026, 15:00
Date of Opening of Technical Bid & Time	13.04.2026, 15:30
Date of Opening of Financial Bid & Time	21.04.2026, 15:30

For more information,visit **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**
Sd/-
Executive Engineer-4
KRIDL, Bengaluru
DIPR/CP/6350/CCL/2025-26

Karnataka Udyog Mitra
(A Government of Karnataka Organisation)
3rd Floor, Khanija Bhavan (East Wing), No.49, Race Course Road, Bengaluru – 560 001. Ph : 91-080-2228 2392/ 5659
Fax: 91-080-2226 6063
No.: KUM/CIS/2025-26 Date: 20.03.2026

Tender for selection of System Integrator for Design, Development, Integration, Implementation and Transition of the Central Inspection System (CIS)
(Through e-Procurement only)

Karnataka Udyog Mitra (KUM), the nodal agency to promote investments in industry and service sector in the State of Karnataka, intends to avail the services of a System Integrator (SI) for the design, development, integration, implementation & transition of the state's Central Inspection System.

Tender Document having details of eligibility criteria, scope of work and other terms and conditions may be obtained from the website of e-procurement Department, Government of Karnataka. The last date for submission of Tenders at **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in is 08.04.2026 at 5.00 pm.** KUM reserves the right to cancel the Tender / reject any or all Proposals without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

Sd/ - Managing Director, KUM

WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
('e' Tender Notice for the supply of Stores, No.EPS/128/2025)
PCMM/WCR on behalf of the President of India invites the following advertised tenders through E- procurement System. No manual/postal offers shall be entertained. Tenders can be accessed under the link website https:/reps.gov.in" for details and for submission of Tender.

Sr No.	Tender No.	SHORT DESCRIPTION	Tendered Qty.	Due Date
1	81265140	Higher Rib Depth HVN Insulating Liner	243932Nos.	06/04/2026
2	38264124	Horizontal Wear Liner For Casnub 22 HS Bogies	4733 Nos.	07/04/2026
3	38251347A	Distributor valve complete without common pipe	739 Nos.	08/04/2026
4	38252552F	SHACKLE LOCK & LOCK PIN WITH SPLIT PIN	84558 Sets.	08/04/2026
5	38252116	Brake Gear pin with washer	80345 Nos.	09/04/2026
6	40252502	Carbon Brush for Hitachi TM type	11820 Nos.	10/04/2026
7	8125WCR TP09	Manufacture and supply of HVN-66 Insulating Cut Liner at Fish Plated Joint	480960 Nos.	10/04/2026
8	38265006	Knuckle for upgraded high tensile centre buffer	1200 Nos.	13/04/2026
9	20261850	High reach Pantograph for Electric locomotives	19 Nos.	15/04/2026
10	40262748	Microprocessor controller for Roof mounted AC package unit for LHB AC coaches	306 Nos.	22/04/2026

" For tenders with estimated value below Rs. 50 lakh, interested firms are advised to visit www.ireps.gov.in".
Sd./-
For Principal Chief Material Manager, West Central Railway, Jabalpur
स्वच्छ भारत अभियान एक कदम स्वच्छता की ओर

IN THE COURT OF THE VI ADDL PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT, AT BANGALORE
M.C.NO. 5178/2023
Between
Smt. Shobha. N ...Petitioner
AND
Sri. Vijay Kumar. R ...Respondent
SUMMONS U/O V RULE 20 OF CPC TO THE RESPONDENT BY PAPER PUBLICATION
Sri. Vijay Kumar. R, Aged about 42 years, S/o Late. V.Rangadhamaiah, R/o. No. 56/4/7, Bhadranna Layout, Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Main Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.
And also Residing
Sri. Vijay Kumar. R B/o. Yogesh S/o Late. V.Rangadhamaiah, R/o. No.218, 2nd Main Road, Prakruthi Lay Out, HBR Lay Out, Bangalore-560043.
And also Residing
Sri. Vijay Kumar. R S/o Late. V.Rangadhamaiah R/o. No. 93, 12th Main Road, Shivanahalli, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.
Take the summons that the petitioner have filed the above Matrimonial Case seeking decree of divorce by dissolving your marriage solmnised with petitioner on 06.05.2015 at Dharmasthala.
Hence you are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above Matrimonial Case on 29.04.2026 at 11 AM to answer the question, failing which the above case will be disposed off in your absence as Exparte.
Given under my seal of this Court on this 4th day of March 2026
By Order of the Court
Senior Sheristeder, Family Court, Bengaluru
Advocate for Petitioner : S.Venkatesh, Advocate. Opp. Annapoorna Hotel, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009. M: 9448315860, e-mail: venkatesh.advocate68@gmail.com

Before the MACT, Alappuzha
OP(MV)No: 1316/222
Petitioner: (1) T. Ullasan S/o Tankappan Achari, Pandinjare, Thattezhathu, Mararikulam North, S.L. Puram P.O, (2) A Shaullas W/o Ullas (Residing in the above address), (3) Arun Ullas S/o Ullas (Residing the above address), (4) Arjun Ullas S/o Ullas (Residing in the above address).
2nd Respondent: Rajan, S/o Marappan, Opp: IPI Layout, No. 20/6, Near Naneswan, Circle, Mangammana Palya, Bengaluru, Karnataka.
NOTICE
Take Notice that the above original Petitions for getting the Compensation in Connection with the road traffic accident a posted for appearance of you on 21/4/26 act 11. am. You have requested to appear in pension or through pleader. Increase you fail to appear, proceedings will be held in you absence.
Dt: 21/04/26 Adv: Dinesh Mallan
Counsel for the Petitionrers

Repco Home Finance Limited
CORPORATE OFFICE: Alexander Square, No. 2 (Old No. 34 & 35), 3rd Floor, Sardar Patel Road, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032 Ph: (044)-4210 6650
E - AUCTION SALE NOTICE
Sale of Immovable Properties Mortgaged to Repco Home Finance Ltd. Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002
Whereas the following Borrowers and Co-Borrowers have borrowed monies from **Repco Home Finance Limited, Following Branches** and the details of the liability is furnished hereunder. Whereas the Company has issued Notice under SARFAESI ACT and the Authorised Officer has taken Possession of the mortgaged properties and issued a Notice on the dates mentioned below and the Company now has decided to sell the properties under Section 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, in **"As is where is condition" and "As is what is condition"**
DATE AND TIME OF E - AUCTION: 28.04.2026, 11.00 a.m – 12.00 Noon (with unlimited auto extension of 5 minutes)
Last Date & Time for submitting E-Tenders : **27.04.2026,** 4.00 p.m.
Hosur Branch : Ph : 04344-220303 & Mob : 94450 07435
S.No.1: Borrower: Mr.Rajappa, S/o. Mr.Thimmarayappa, **Co-Borrowers: 1.Mr.R.Dilip,** S/o.Mr.T.Rajappa, **2.Mr.R.Abilash,** S/o. Mr.T.Rajappa, **3.Mrs.Nirmala,** W/o. Mr.T.Rajappa and **Guarantor: Mr. S Mohan Raj**; Demand Notice Date: **16.12.2024;** Amount claimed as per Demand Notice (Account No. **1361860001859**) being ₹ **86,79,439/-** respectively with further interest from **16.12.2024** together with further interest, costs and expenses; Possession Taken Date: **20.06.2025;** Present Outstanding Amount: ₹ **99,62,049/- respectively as on 04.03.2026.**
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: All that Piece and parcel of immovable property bearing **Site No.9 formed in converted S.No.5/1, situated at Roopena Agrahara, Begur Hobli, Bengluru South Taluk, presently property comes under the limits of Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP).** Measuring East to West 51 feet, North to South 36.5 Feet and bounded on: East by: T. Rajappa's Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No. 9/A, South by: Site No. 10. Totally making an area of 1861.5 Sq. feet of land together with the building and building constructed there on
RESERVE PRICE ₹ **2,00,73,000/-** **EMD** (10% of Reserve Price) ₹ **20,07,300/-** Minimum Bid Increment Amount ₹ **50,000/-**
Yelahanka Branch : Ph : 080-2856 4900, Mob : 93796-64223 & 99006-06357
S.No.2: Borrower: Ms.G.Kusuma, D/o.Mr.S.Gangadhara Murthy, **Co-Borrowers: 1.Mr.S.Gangadhara Murthy,** S/o. Mr.Prabhakar Achar, **2.Mrs.B.V.Venkatalakshmi,** W/o. Mr.Gangadhara Murthy; Demand Notice Date: **20.09.2025;** Amount claimed as per Demand Notice (Account No. **1341870002958) being** ₹ **14,97,607/- as on 12.09.2025** together with further interest, costs and expenses; Possession Taken Date: **26.12.2025;** Present Outstanding Amount: ₹ **13,88,895/- as on 13.03.2026**
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Schedule 'A' Property: - All that piece and parcel of the **Residential property bearing Site No. 57 of the Private layout formed by Sri Nanjundeswara House Building Cooperative Society Ltd., Bangalore**, in Sy No. 4/4 of **Sarakki Kere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 49+50/2, totally measuring 2970 Sq feet. And bounded on: East by : Road; West by : Site No. 58; North by: Road; South by : Site no. 57/A
Schedule 'B' Property: - Residential Flat bearing No.001, in the Ground Floor (Western Side) of the Residential Apartment constructed on the schedule A property measuring 1370 Sq feet of Super built up area along with one car parking space in the stilt floor, together with 242 Sq feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in and out of the Schedule A property.
RESERVE PRICE ₹ **80,15,000/-** **EMD** (10% of Reserve Price) ₹ **8,01,500/-** Minimum Bid Increment Amount ₹ **75,000/-**
For E-Auction procedure, please contact for S.No.1: M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd., Mr.Prabakaran - 74182 81709, S.No.2: M/s.4Closure, Mr.U.Subbarao & Mr.M.Dinesh - 81420 00735, 81420 00061,
For inspection of the properties the intending bidders may contact the Branch Head, Repco Home Finance Limited, Respective Branches on all working days between 10 a.m & 5 p.m.
Date: 12.03.2026 / 13.03.2026 Authorised Officer, Repco Home Finance Limited

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
HSR Layout Branch
No.1083, Ground Floor, Sector 3, HSR Layout, Bengaluru-560102
Ph: 9483502673, 9311710078
E-mail: cb2673@canarabank.com
(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)
SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Canara Bank, HSR Layout Branch(2673)** of the **Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **06.04.2026 at 10.30 AM to 11.30AM,** for recovery of below mentioned amount.
E-AUCTION DATE: 06.04.2026
Borrower(s): (1) M/S NHS Industries Regd Office, No 4-3 , 1st Cross, Bhuvanappa Layout, Bengaluru-560029. **(2) M/S NHS Industries Unit :** Plot No. IP (19) P-2 Kudumalakunte-561208 KIADB Industrial Area Phase 1 , Gowribidanur, Chikkaballapura Distrrict . **(3) Sri Bhargav Reddy N S** S/o N H Shiva Shankara Reddy, **(4) Sri N H Shiva Shankara Reddy, Both are residing at:** H No.530, Ground Floor 8th Cross, J P Nagar 3rd Phase Bengaluru -560078. **(5) Smt N Sujathamma** W/o N H Shiva shankara Reddy, H Nagasandra-561208, Kasaba Hobli , Gowribidanur (T)
Total liabilities: Rs.1,15,60,843.93 (Rupees One Crore Fifteen Lakhs Sixty thousand Eight hundred and Forty three and paisa Ninety three Only) plus interest & charges as on **18.03.2026** and interest and other charges
Reserve Price: Rs.7,84,02,000/- . EMD: Rs.78,41,000/-. Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: **05.04.2026 by 4.00 PM.**
Name of the Tittle Holder: N.H.Shivashankara Reddy.
Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property Bearing Site No.91, Having BBMP PID No.67.8.91, New PID No.151-W0071-80, In the Layout Formed by the BDA Situated at Koramangala 6th Block Extension , Bangalore presently with in the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike measuring East to West 12.00+13.90/2 mtrs and North to South:16.70 mtrs and bounded on: East By : Site No 92, West by : Road, North by: Site No.110, South by : Road.
Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, E-mail: cb2673@canarabank.com during office hours on any working day or the service provider **BAANKNET Online https://baanknet.com (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd), (Contact No.8291220220, Email:support.baanknet@psballiance.com**
Date : 20.03.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bengaluru Canara Bank

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Established under the State Financial Corporation's Act 1951)
BRANCH OFFICE : CENTRAL
Ground Floor, KSFC Bhavana, No. 1/1, Thimmaiah Road, Near Cantonment Railway Station, Bengaluru-560 052.
Ph: 9448468712, e-mail: central.ksfc@karnataka.gov.in
No: KSFC/CBO/HD-826/2025-26 Date: 18.03.2026
POSSESSION NOTICE
WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Karnataka State Financial Corporation, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 14.11.2025 calling upon the Surety/Borrower Smt. Rajeshwari K W/o N Shashikumar Proprietrix of M/s. Samrudhi Packaging Industry, to repay the over dues amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.35,34,664/- lakhs** (Rupees Thirty five lakhs thirty four thousand six hundred and sixty four only) as on 10.11.2025 which excludes loan balance of Rs. 31,00,000 within 60 days from the date of the said notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the loan due amount, notice is hereby given to the surety/borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules on this 18th day of March 2026.
The surety/borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Karnataka State Financial Corporation for recovery of overdues of Rs.68,41,824 lakhs (Rupees Sixty Eight lakhs forty one thousand Eight hundred twenty four only) as on 12.03.2026.
Description of the Immovable Property
All the piece and parcel of the property bearing Residential Site No. 51, assessment No. 219, BBMP Khatha No. 323, 51, 47/1, 219 present BBMP property No. 398/219/51, E Khatha No. 1946258888 Kalena Agrahara Hobli, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru south presently within the limits of BBMP, Ward No. 192, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to south 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 square feet and bounded on the: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Property No. 37, **North by:** Property No. 52 and **South by:** Property No. 50.
Date:21.03.2026 Sd/-
Place: Bengaluru. Authorised Officer

RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA
On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following items:-

Sr. No.	Tender No. and Due Date	Description	Quantity (Nos./Sets/ Cum)	EMD (Rs.)
1.	17261078 10/04/2026	SUPPLY & APPLICATION OF SET OF ROOF AND ENDWALL PANELS IN LHB HIGH CAPACITY PARCEL VAN COACHES	31 Set	1,09,050/-
2.	14261001A 10/04/2026	SOUND INSULATING WOOD PANELS.	1801 Nos.	2,17,030/-
3.	17261058 15/04/2026	AIR INLET DUCT FOR LHB PANTRY CAR	53 Nos.	2,18,890/-
4.	05261182A 24/04/2026	UNDERFRAME COMPLETE FOR LHB HIGH CAPICITY PARCEL VAN.	16 Nos.	NIL
5.	05261047 17/04/2026	SUPPLY AND APPLY (INSTALLATION, COMMISSIONING & TESTING) OF 3-TYPES OF AXLE MOUNTED DISC BRAKE SYSTEMS WITH EP ASSIST BRAKE SYSTEMS FOR AMRIT BHARAT COACHES	426 Set	50,00,000/-
6.	05261179 17/04/2026	Set of Partition Frame	64 Set	3,39,220/-
7.	05251688A 22/04/2026	SET OF LONGITUDINAL BEAM	47 Set	1,17,530/-
8.	04261018 07/04/2026	Ferritic Steel Sheet	203121 Kgs	7,33,430/-
9.	02261023 14/04/2026	C.D.S.I.C. MAINTENANCE MANUALS, SPARES & MAINTENANCE WORK OF ONBOARD CONDITION MONITORING SYSTEM(OBCMS)	64 Set	12,80,940/-

1. For details and making On-line bids, visit **Website http://ireps.gov.in** Drawings/specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in. Class III-b digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in., 2.**Tenders will close at **14.25 HRS.** on due date and Tender will be opened at **14.30 HRS for Sr. No. 1 to 4 at RCF Kapurthala and for Sr. No. 5 to 9 at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi-110002, 3.** For querries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at **011-24102855,011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.**
PCMM
CORRIGENDUM
1) Tender No.: 05251947, **Description:** SET OF PIPE SEALING ARRGT., Due Date to be read as **"30/03/2026"** instead of **"12/03/2026", 2) Tender No.:** 17261006, Due Date to be read as **"30/03/2026"** instead of **"19/03/2026", 3) Tender No.:** 17261004, Due Date to be read as **"30/03/2026"** instead of **"19/03/2026", 4) Tender No.:** 13255417, **Description:** CNC AXLE TURNING LATHE., Due Date to be read as **"27/03/2026"** instead of **"16/03/2026", 5) Tender No.:** 14251110A, Due Date to be read as **"27/03/2026"** instead of **"16/03/2026", 6) Tender No.:** 12251370, **Description:** SUPPLY OF ONE COACH SET OF LOOK OUT AND OTHER GLASSES FOR TRAIN 18 DTC COACHES, Due Date to be read as **"20/03/2026"** instead of **"17/03/2026", 7) Tender No.:** 05261093, **Description:** SET OF PIPE SEALING KIT FOR LAVATORY OF, Tender Closing Date & Time to be read as **"30/03/2026 11:30"** instead of **"16/03/2026 11:30", 8) Tender No.:** 05251643, **Description:** SET OF UNDER FRAME ITEMS FOR LHB SCN COACHES., Due Date to be read as **"02/04/2026"** instead of **"18/03/2026"**
PCMM
No. 143-S/2025-26 Date: 20.03.2026

Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu has directed officials to submit a report within two days on the damage caused to different crops due to untimely rains and gales. A total crop loss of ₹63 crore has been assessed so far, the officials said

NDA seals Pondy pact: 16 seats for AINRC, 14 for BJP

LJK included in alliance on advice of Shah

POLL WALL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Puducherry

THE National Democratic Alliance (NDA) in Puducherry was formally finalised on Friday with 16 of the 30 Assembly seats being allotted to the All India NR Congress (AINRC). The deal was reached after Chief Minister and AINRC chief N Rangasamy, following a compromise with the BJP leadership on Friday, agreed to include the Lakshya Jananayaga Katchi (LJK) in the coalition. Rangasamy said the new party was included based on Union Home Minister Amit Shah's advice and the decision would strengthen the alliance.

After holding discussions with Rangasamy at a hotel on Friday, Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said the BJP's share of 14 seats would be further distributed among its allies, the AIADMK and the newly formed LJK.

Mandaviya also confirmed that Rangasamy will lead the NDA in Puducherry again, and expressed confidence that the alliance would form the next government under his leadership. The alliance has worked out a common action plan for the elections, while allowing individual parties to retain their own programmes, he added. Without much clarification, the minister said that AINRC seeking statehood for Puducherry was the individual desire of the party.

Mandaviya also announced that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Amit Shah may visit Puducherry to campaign for the Assembly elections.

Expressing confidence that the NDA would win, Rangasamy indicated that the alliance would launch its election campaign after all constituent parties complete their nomination processes. Final discussion is under way regarding the seats on which individual parties will contest, the CM said.

NDA SEAT SHARING IN 4 DAYS, SAYS EPS

Chennai: AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami said that seat sharing talks among the alliance parties will be completed within four days and that there has been no hitch in the exercise. He also indicated that no other party is expected to join the NDA. He said Union Minister Piyush Goyal is coming to Chennai on Saturday for holding seat sharing talks.

SATHEESAN SLAMS MEDIA OVER 'FAKE NEWS'

T'PURAM: Leader of Opposition in Kerala Assembly VD Satheesan alleged that a section of media spread false news about the Congress' candidate selection process at the behest of the CPI(M). A day after the media reports about uncertainty with regard to the candidature of Congress MPs K Sudhakaran and Adoor Prakash, Satheesan said this would not stop the party from winning the polls. He said that both Sudhakaran and Prakash have clearly stated that the party is bigger than them.

India has 129 space debris objects, Parliament informed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

AS of March 2026, the growing presence of space debris linked to Indian satellite missions has raised serious concern among scientists and space agencies worldwide. A total of 129 trackable debris objects currently remain in orbit, originating from India's space activities. The information was tabled in the Parliament on March 18.

These include defunct satellites as well as fragments from launch vehicles. The largest share of this debris comes from Polar Satellite Launch Vehicles (PSLVs), accounting for 40 objects. Notably, 33 pieces have been identified as resulting from the in-orbit break-up of the PSLV-C3 rocket. In addition, there are four debris fragments from Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicles (GSLV) and three from Launch Vehicle Mark-3 (LVM3). The information also stated that the debris also comprised on 23 defunct satellites in the Low Earth Orbit (LEO) and 26 in the Geostationary Equatorial Orbit (26).

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) along with other stake holders launched the Debris Free Space Mission, to ensure zero debris creation

from Indian satellites by 2030. ISRO stated that it annually releases the Indian Space Situational Assessment report which contains information of the assessments. However, the report is with the PMO, sources said. The ISRO is yet to release the findings of the failure of the PSLV-C61 and C62 that happened in May 2025 and January 2026, respectively. These failures and the piling space debris become major challenges and setback for the organisation, source added.

Scientific work for clearing the debris has also started. The Ministry of Earth Sciences said India is aligning debris mitigation with Inter-Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee and United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, with ISRO ensuring extra fuel margins in launch vehicles.

Scientists are lowering their orbits after the end of the missions to help in the re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere within a shorter time. The required fuel for de-orbiting is being accounted for in the design phase itself.

ISRO teams added, studies are also being undertaken for the creation and usage of robotic arm, rendezvous and proximity operations that will help in the removal of debris. ISRO pointed that it has undertaken the Network for Space Objects Tracking and Analysis (NETRA) project and the expenditure of Rs 67.76 crore has incurred from the sanctioned Rs 509.01 crore.

FAITH IN PRAYER

Devotees pull the car of Jambukeswarar Temple as part of Panguni festival at Thiruvanaikovil in Tiruchy, Tamil Nadu, on Friday | MK ASHOK KUMAR

EXPRESS READ

Imam dies after collapsing during Eid-ul-Fitr prayers

PALAKKAD: An imam collapsed and died while delivering the Eid-ul-Fitr prayers at a mosque near Ottapalam, Palakkad on Friday. The deceased has been identified as Maulavi Abdul Shukkoor Qasimi, 54, the imam of the Islamic Service Society Juma Masjid at Attassery, near Thrikkatiri. He reportedly suffered a heart attack while addressing the congregation after leading the Eid prayers. According to witnesses, Qasimi was delivering the sermon, reflecting on contemporary issues, communal harmony, and the importance of brotherhood, when he suddenly collapsed. Believers present at the mosque immediately rushed to his aid and administered first aid, but his life could not be saved. A respected scholar and an eloquent speaker, Qasimi was known for his deep religious knowledge and impactful sermons. He hailed from Thodupuzha and is survived by wife and a son. The body was later shifted to his hometown for final rites.

ASHOKA SEEKS DISSOLUTION OF LEGISLATURE

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DISPOSING of the petition, directing the respondents not to disturb the appellant's present place of posting till the next session of transfer, the division bench said, "We are of the considered view that the transfers and postings of the employees should be left to the concerned administrative departments and the highest authority of the state should not devote his time in such matters nor should interfere with the transfers and postings of the employees working within the government and the government undertakings."

It said, "We are therefore of the opinion that no request for transfer and posting should be entertained by the Office of the Chief Minister directly. The matter should end at the level of the department itself. The CM has better and more important work to perform than interfering with the transfers and postings of the employees of the State Government and Government undertakings."

It directed that a copy of the order be sent to the CM for necessary direction to his office.

'HC slap for Cong govt again'

Taking note of the court observation, Assembly opposition leader R Ashoka slammed the Congress government and demanded that the state legislature be dissolved.

He charged that the CM has turned transfers into a business and taking note of this, the court lashed out at the CM. He urged the government to seek apology from citizens and dissolve the legislature if the government has any dignity left.

Avian flu kills 40 birds; zoo in Chennai closed

SV KRISHNA CHAITANYA @ Chennai

AN outbreak of avian influenza claimed the lives of 40 birds of multiple species last week inside the Guindy Children's Park, prompting authorities to shut the facility to visitors from Friday until further notice.

While the risk to visitors is considered low, authorities are still keeping a close watch on wild and migratory bird activity in and around the park. The closure is part of containment measures as disinfection and monitoring activities are intensified within the premises. Yogesh Kulal, a wildlife warden, told *TNIE* that first signs of trouble emerged on March 13, when the Vedanthangal aviary recorded a sudden mass mortality event. "On March 13, we observed the death of 30 birds, including 24 herons and six pelicans. The deaths mostly occurred overnight," he said.

HUBLI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Wholly owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
Corporate Office,Vidyut Bhavana, Gopanakoppa, Hubballi, Tele No. : 08362223323
E-mail ID: seecivil@hescom.co.in
Website : hescom.karnataka.gov.in CIN : U31401KA2002SGC030437
No: HESCOM/SE(C)/AEEC/AEC/F-1/2025-26/cys-12634 Date:18-03-2026

Notification for Auction of canteen (Through KPPP Portal Only)

Superintending Engineer (Civil), Corporate Office, HESCOM, Hubballi issued auction notification for canteen at 3rd floor, vidhyuth bhavan, corporate office, HESCOM, Gopanakoppa, Hubballi - on monthly rent basis.

The detailed auction notification can be obtained by logging on to the website https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after **20.03.2026** vide auction notice No.HESCOM/2025-26/AUCTION1. For further information, please contact telephone no. **0836-2223323** during office hours.

No.DIPR/DWD/KSMCA/1374/2025-26 **Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (Civil), Corporate Office, HESCOM, Hubballi**

राजस्थान स्कूल शिक्षा परिषद्
मु- तल, ब्लॉक-6, डॉ.एस. राधाकृष्णन शिक्षा संकुल, जवाहर लाल नेहरू मार्ग, जयपुर,
फोन नं: 0141-2700459, E-Mail:- RAJSMSA.CIVIL@RAJASTHAN.GOV.IN
क्रमांक :- F-5(1)(294)RCSCE/Civil /SMSA/NIT 20 2025-26 /Vol-17/2025/D- 8016 दिनांक :- 16/03/2026

अल्पकालिन ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या 20 (सिविल)/2025-26
(बालिका सैनिक स्कूल के निर्माण कार्यों हेतु)

राज्य/केन्द्र सरकार के राजकीय/अर्द्धशासकीय/स्वायत्तशासी निकायों में सक्षम श्रेणी में निर्माण कार्यों हेतु पंजीकृत संवेदकों से MODIFIED BUDGET ANNOUCEMENT 2024-25 योजनान्तर्गत स्वीकृत 01 बालिका सैनिक स्कूल के निर्माण कार्य हेतु राशि रू. 1991.10 लाख बाबत् कार्यवार ई-टेण्डरिंग के माध्यम से अल्पकालिन ई-निविदाऐं 18/03/2026 प्रातः 10.00 बजे से 27/03/2026 को सायं 6.00 बजे तक आमंत्रित की जाती है।

- निविदा से सम्बधित समस्त विस्तृत विवरण वेबसाईट **http://rajsmsa.nic.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** एवं **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** पर देखा जा सकता है।
- निविदा से सम्बन्धित प्रक्रिया जिला परियोजना समन्वयक, समग्र शिक्षा कार्यालय सम्बन्धित जिला के स्तर से की जावेगी।

UBN No. : RSE2526WLOB07688 राज्य परियोजना निदेशक
राज.संवाद/सी/25/22876 समग्र शिक्षा

JAIPUR CITY TRANSPORT SERVICES LIMITED
No. :- MD/JCTSL/2024-25/D - 3881 Date :- 18/03/2026

Corrigendum-01

This is with reference to JCTSL Bid no 11/2025-26 published on **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** UBN No. JCT2526SLOB00014 and **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in.** Tender ID 2026_JCTS_541409_1, Some amendments are made. Detail of amendments can be seen and may be downloaded from above mentioned websites and JCTSL Website **(http://transport.rajasthan.gov.in/jctsl).**

Managing Director
Raj.Samwad/C/25/22968 JCTSL, Jaipur

TENDER NOTICE
SAINIK SCHOOL
AMARAVATHINAGAR - 642 102
UDUMALPET TALUK, TIRUPUR DISTRICT

Invites sealed tenders before 12-04-2026 to supply Cattle feed, Bran flakes, Student stationery, Text books and Running Amaravian student store as enlisted in our School Website www.sainikschoolamaravathinagar.edu.in.

PRINCIPAL

KARNATAKA STATE NATURAL DISASTER MONITORING CENTRE (KSNDMC)
(A Regd. Society of Govt. of Karnataka)
Major Sandeep Unnikrishnan Road, Near Attur Layout, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560 064. Ph.: 080-67355000
No. KSNDMC/ACT/13/2020 Date: 18.03.2026

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

KSNDMC invites tenders for the following through e-procurement portal on **"https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in."** Tenders are invited for **(a)** Supply, Installation and Comprehensive Annual maintenance of Telemetric Rain gauge stations in 1530 locations in Karnataka vide Tender No. KSNDMC/2025-26/IND0003/Call-2. Last date for submission of bid is **06.04.2026,** pre bid meeting is on **26.03.2026 at 11.00AM** and **(b)** Tender No. KSNDMC/2025-26/IND0004//Call-2 for Supply, installation, refurbishment and Comprehensive annual maintenance of Telemetric Rain gauge stations in 429 locations in Karnataka. Last date for submission of bid is **06.04.2026,** pre bid meeting is on **26.03.2026 at 12.00PM** at KSNDMC. Further the tender document details can be obtained through e-procurement portal of GoK.

Sd/- Director

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NOTICE

SBI Life Insurance Company Ltd. (SBI Life) hereby invites offers bids for commercial premises on lease basis from the owners of the premises fulfilling following broad prospect:

1. The premises should be free from all encumbrances and charges and ready for immediate possession.
2. The premises must be Commercial Building with an arrangement of Commercial Electricity Connection and should have basic permission and amenities such as Fire NOC, Occupation Certificate, Building Insurance, adequate & uninterrupted electricity and water supply, space for signage, parking, modern Fire-fighting system, adequate number of car parking etc.
3. The premises in the vicinity of **BASAVANAGUDI, SOUTH END CIRCLE & KR ROAD** and surrounding area is preferred.
4. The carpet area of the premises should be between 2500 Sq ft. to 2655 Sq ft.

Intending bidders should download the formats from our website: www.sbilife.co.in (https://www.sbilife.co.in/en/services/download centre- RFP forms). The completed Technical and Price Bids should be submitted in separate sealed covers to **"The Regional Director, SBI Life Insurance Company Limited, 2nd Floor, Sri Sairam Towers, No. 24, K. P. Puttanna Chetty Road, 5th Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore, Karnataka Pin 560 018"** Tel No. 080-25944970. on or before 05-04-2026.

SBI Life reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers in full / part without assigning any reasons.

Date: 21/03/2026 Place: Bengaluru

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KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL,
IBC O&M Division, Rampur(PA). Tq:Sindagi, Dist:Vijayapur.
Ph.No:08488-224328, Email: kbjnleerampur@gmail.com
No: KBJNL/IBC/O&M/PB-2/2025-26/3503 Dated:18.03.2026

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal Only)

Hon'ble Managing Director Krishna Bhagya Jal Nigam Limited on behalf of Executive Engineer, KBJNL O&M Division, Rampur (P.A) Government of Karnataka K.P.P.Portal for the services of a total of **31** numbers of outsourced employees approved on the portal of Karnataka Government Registration certificate of establishment from Govt of Karnataka & Department of Labour as per section 12(1) of Contract Labour Act Tenders are invited through two-cover system from the registered contractors. For more details visit KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in online. The contractor can have access to e-tender document from above portal from **20-03-2026 to 30-03-2026 Upto 5.30 pm**. Submission of completed e-tendering documents from **20-03-2026 to 30-03-2026 Upto 5.30 pm**
Technical Bid will be opened electronically in the office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL IBC O&M Division Rampur(P.A) on **01-04-2026 at 11.00 AM**. In respect of bidders whose e-EMD has been confirmed on the e-Tendering platform. Further information can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer KBJNL IBC O&M Division Rampur (P.A) Tq-Sindagi Dist-Vijayapur during the office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, IBC O&M Division, Rampur(PA)

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Karnataka State
Office of the Executive Engineer, Shimoga Division, Shimoga
No.EE/PWD/Smg/JE-1, JE-2/IFT-63/2025-26 Dtd:17-03-2026

Short Term Tender Notification -2 Cover system

Tender invited thro' E-Procurement version-2 kppp.karnataka.gov.in for the below Indents by PWD Class- 3 & 4 above Contractors For needful information please contact Office P.No. 08182- 274942 and Helpdesk Ph Nos. 080-25501216/ 080-25501227)

Tender documents down loading & submission dates:18-03-2026 to 25-03-2026

Reserved for SC 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL (Foot Bridge) **1.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34653)

Reserved for ST 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL (Foot Bridge) **2.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34648)

Category-2A 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL (Foot Bridge) **3.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34655) 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL SH **4.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34659)

All Contractors 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL SH **5.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34655) 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL MDR **6.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34638) 5054-80-190-0-01-132 KRDCL (Foot Bridge) **7.** Sagara Taluk 1 Work (I.No:34658) **8.** Soraba Taluk 3 Work (I.No:34548, 34549, 34551)

Tender documents down loading & submission dates : Periods to complete the work is up to: 06 Months (Including Mansoon) If there any changes in published tenders it will be publishing in E-Procurement version-2 kppp.karnataka.gov.in Website only

Sd/-EE, PW Dept Division, Shimoga
DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/113/03/2047

JM Financial
JM Financial Asset Reconstruction Company Limited
Corporate identify Number : U67190MH2007PLC74287
Registered Office: 7th Floor, Cnergy, Appasaheb Marathe Marg, Prabhadevi, Mumbai 400025 | Website – www.jmfinancialarc.com
Contact Person: 1. Raghavendra Gowda - 9686463502, 2. Chandan Sakhalkar – 9820407168, 3. Sinduja Pillai - 022 - 6224 1676

E-Auction Sale Notice – Subsequent Sale

That Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Ltd have assigned a pool of Loan (including below mentioned Loans) together with underlying security interest created thereof along with all the rights, title and interest thereon under Section 5 (1) (b) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("SARFAESI ACT") vide an assignment agreement dated March 29, 2023 ("the Assignment Agreement") in favour of JMFARC (JM) (herein referred as Assignee) acting in its capacity as trustee of JMFARC – Aranya – Trust. It is to notify that PCHFL is authorized and appointed to act as Service provider / Collection agent to facilitate all operational and procedures processes vide Assignment / Service Agreement.
Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor under the **SARFAESI Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code / Branch / Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (17-03-2026)
Loan Code No.: 17100000522, Tumkur (Branch), Govindaraju V (Borrower), Komala K (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 28-08-2019, Rs. 1129919/-, (Rs. Eleven lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Nineteen Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Site No 03, Jakkasandra Village,Kasaba NA Hobli,Nelamangala taluk, Nr Nelamngala Hobli,Nelamangala taluk,Nr Nelamngala power station,Bengaluru North, Bangalore Karnataka IN 562123	Rs.1000000/-, (Rs. Ten lakh Only)	Rs.100000/-, (Rs. One lakh Only)	Rs. 2865945/-, (Rs. Twenty Eight lakh Sixty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Five Only)

DATE OF E-AUCTION: 09-04-2026, FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID: 08-04-2026, BEFORE 4.00 P.M.
For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.jmfinancialarc.com/Home/Assetsforsale OR https://www.bankauctions.in.
STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR
The above mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.

Sd/- (Authorised Officer) (Aranya - Trust)
Date : 21.03.2026 | Place: Bengaluru

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) | **Registered Office:** The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date Time & Place for submission of Bid
1	46980440000012 & 46989170055485	1) Mr. Varadharaju M, 2) Mrs. Chaithra	03.09.2025	28.02.2026	Rs.3,94,163.10 (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty Three and Ten Paisa Only) as on 16.03.2026	10.04.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.6,75,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Only)	Rs.67,500/- (Rupees Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Only)	24.04.2026 @ 02:00 PM	23.04.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071

Details of Secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.62/90, E Katha No.150300302500600388 situated at Hadripura Village, Comes within the purview of Hadripura Grama Panchayath, Doddaballapura Taluk Bangalore Rural District, measuring East-West 9.144 mtrs, North-South 12.192 mtrs, totally measuring 111.48 Sq.mtrs and **Bounded on: East:** Property of Channarayappa, **West:** Property of Nagarathnamma, **North:** Property of Doddanarasamma, **South:** Road.

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. Varun B Contact Number: 8142000809. Email id: info@bankauctions.in/ Karnataka@bankauctions.in..**
For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Kaushik B (Mob. No.7019949040), Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362952653), Mr. Umesh (Mob. No.8050149617).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 20.03.2026, Place: Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

WESTERN RAILWAY

VARIOUS WORK

Sr DEE/TRD/NS/BCT, invites **E-Tender Notice No. EL-TRD-W-2x25-EPC-PSI-R, dated 13.03.2026. Name of Work**: Design, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 220/132/55KV Scott Connected Traction Substation and switching posts for 2x25KV AT feeding system between Udhana-Jalgaon section of Mumbai Division of Western Railway in connection to work of "Increasing Load to 3000MT. **Advertised value**: ₹ 187,67,00,000/-. **EMD**: ₹ 95,33,500/-. **Date & time of submission**: Till 10.07.2026, 11:00 hrs. **Date & Time of opening**: On 10.07.2026 at 11:00 hrs. For further details please visit our website **www.ireps.gov.in** manual offers will not be considered. 1232

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SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

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Details of the Tender Notices of S.C. Railway can be seen on our website: www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Open e-Tender Notice No. : DRM/Works/SC/24-40/2026/OT, Dated : 17-03-2026. PUB/2140

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tender for the following works up to 14:00 hours on 17-04-2026.

Sl.No. : 01. e-Tender No. : 24_CR_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : SC - KZJ section : MLY - Provision of additional facilities at Moulali Goods shed. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 3,76,89,804/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 7,53,800/-. **Completion period in Months : 09. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 02. e-Tender No. : 25_CR_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : SW 1) SC-KZJ Section : CHZ-Development/Improvements to Station building, circulating area on 2nd entry side and Provision of COP for full length on PF 1, 2 & 3 in lieu of terminal station facilities at Charlapalli station. **SW 2)** Charlapalli - Construction of RPF Post building at Charlapalli Station. **SW 3)** Secundarabad - Construction of New building of 5000 sqft for Cyber cell for formation of integrated command control. **SW 4)** Secunderabad: Additional block for TTE Rest house with 27 beds (14-Male& 13-Female TTEs with separate Toilets), ACs, Kitchen, Store, R.O water and furniture provision. (Two packet system) **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 23,91,47,252/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 47,83,000/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 03. e-Tender No. : 26_N_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : Kazipet - Balharshah section : **SW 1)** Provision of goods loading line with rail level platform at Sirpur Town. **SW 2)** Augmentation of Ballast depot at Sirpur Town station. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 8,35,10,335/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 16,70,200/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 04. e-Tender No. : 27_N_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : Kazipet-Balharshah section : **SW 1)** Proposed ancillary works for LC No.35 at Km. 301/28-301/30 (RUB 88A), Jacketing of approach retaining walls, cover over approaches and providing long speed brakers duly extending retaining wall between KOLR-PDPL stations under Sr.DEN/North Jurisdiction. **SW 2)** Proposed ancillary works for LC No.56 at Km. 261/25-27 (RUB 145B) Jacketing of approach retaining walls, cover over approaches and providing long speed brakers duly extending retaining wall between MCI-PPZ stations under Sr.DEN/North Jurisdiction. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 6,79,41,237/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 13,58,900/-. **Completion period in Months : 09. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 05. e-Tender No. : 28_N_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : BPQ-KZJ Section : SSE/P.Way/MAGH, SKZR & BPA: Provision of Drains, pathways, standardisation of Dead ends, Removal of muck etc in connection with safety related yard improvement & upgradation works at various yards under ADEN/BPA sub division. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 6,85,14,563/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 13,70,300/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 06. e-Tender No. : 29_N_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : KZJ-BPQ Section : Proposed replacement of existing 4x12.20m steel girders with PSC slabs for BR No. 52 (UP& DN) at km 344/14-16 between JMKT-OPL stations. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 4,72,04,301/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 9,44,100/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 07. e-Tender No. : 30_W_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : VKB-PRLI Section : **SW 1)** Proposed improvement to drainage system, roads and approach retaining wall and provision of height guage at RUB No.32A in lieu of LC No.10 at km.18/12-13 between VKB-SSPD stations under ADEN/VKB subdivision. **SW 2)** Proposed improvement to drainage system, roads and approach retaining wall and provision of height guage at RUB No.47A in lieu of LC No.16 at km.27/13-14 between SSPD-MRF stations under ADEN/VKB subdivision. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 3,83,10,917/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 7,66,300/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 08. e-Tender No. : 31_W_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : SW 1) SKP : Raising of PF 1 & PF 2 to High level Provision of COP, Pathway connecting platforms and passenger amenities at Shankarpalli station. **SW 2)** Upgrading of COP by providing SS gutters and new sheeting to arrest leakages at stations under Sr.DEN/West/SC jurisdiction. (Two packet system). **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 11,84,66,142/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 23,69,400/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36.**

Sl.No. : 09. E-Tender No. : 32_W_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : BTNR-LPI & TLPR-RCPT : Maintenance of yard surroundings by Rag picking of 9 MMTS stations (BTNR-BRBD-HTCY -HFZ - CDNR-LPI-TLPR BHEL-RCPT) for two years under Sr.DEN/West/SC section. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 51,10,161/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 1,02,200/-. **Completion period in Months : 24. Maintenance period in Months : -.**

Sl.No. : 10. e-Tender No. : 33_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : Supply of Portable drinking water to staff quarters at Railway Colonies and service buildings through water tankers under ADEN/BIDR Sub-Division as per stations and colonies enclosed in Annexure-1 **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 35,44,604/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 70,900/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months :** NIL.

Sl.No. : 11. e-Tender No. : 34_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : VKB-PRLI Section : Replacement of steel girders with PSC slabs for Br. No. 130/A Exg.1x7.775m GB at Km.90/2-3 in VKB-PRLI section. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 70,30,562/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 1,40,600/-. **Completion period in Months : 09. Maintenance period in Months : 48.**

Sl.No. : 12. e-Tender No. : 35_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : KHNP-TJSP Section : Widening /repairs to cess, filling up low lying areas near toe of bank at various locations under SSE/P.Way/HMBD section. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 3,21,12,202/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 6,42,300/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 03** (Months or one monsoon season).

Sl.No. : 13. e-Tender No. : 36_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : PDPL-NZB Section : Widening /repairs to cess, filling up low lying areas near toe of bank at various locations under SSE/P.Way/KRMR & SSE/P.Way/ARMU section. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 5,87,01,918/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 11,74,100/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 03** (Months or one monsoon season).

Sl.No. : 14. e-Tender No. : 37_S_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : DKJ-MUGR Section - Proposed replacement of existing 3x12.20Mts. steel girders with 3x12.2m PSC slabs for the Bridge No.152 at km 101/7-8 between AWM-MUGR station. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 1,54,28,095/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 3,08,600/-. **Completion period in Months : 09. Maintenance period in Months : 48.**

Sl.No. : 15. e-Tender No. : 38_S_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : DKJ-MUGR Section : **SW 1)** Proposed construction of Road under bridge (RUB) in lieu of LC No. 8MB at KM 2/11-12 as precast RCC BOX of size 1x5.50x4.00M. **SW 2)** Proposed construction of Road under bridge (RUB) at km 6/15-16 in lieu of existing LC No. 9 MB at KM 6/13-14 as precast RCC Box of size 1x5.50x5.00m. **SW 3)** Proposed construction of Road under bridge (RUB) in lieu of LC No. 10 MB at KM 9/11-12 as precast RCC Box of size 1x5.50x5.00m between Karepalli - Singareni Collaries stations by AIR pushing method using 20.40m RH girder.(Two Packet System) **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 23,80,83,877/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 47,61,700/-. **Completion period in Months : 18. Maintenance period in Months : 48.**

Sl.No. : 16. e-Tender No. : 39_S_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : DKJ-MUGR Section between Chimalpahad-Tadikalapudi stations : **SW 1)** Bridge No.32kk at km 37/1-2 existing 2x2.49m RCC slab is to be rebuilt as precast RCC box of span 2x4.24x2.00m by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH Girder. **SW 2)** Provision of Additional water vent way for bridge no 32kk (A) with RCC box of size 2x4.50x2.00m at km 37/1-2 by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH girder. **SW 3)** Provision of Additional water vent way for bridge no 32kk (B) with RCC box of size 2x6.00x2.00m at km 37/1-2 by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH girder. **SW 4)** Proposed ancillary works such as wing wall, ballst retaining wall pitching, flooring and etc. to Bridge no 32kk A at km 37/1-2. **SW 5)** Bridge no 33kk at km 37/5-6 existing 1x0.91m RCC slab is to be rebuilt as precast RCC box of span 1x1.20x1.20m by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH Girder. **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 8,59,17,847/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 17,18,400/-. **Completion period in Months : 18. Maintenance period in Months : 48.**

Sl.No. : 17. e-Tender No. : 40_S_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : DKJ-MUGR section : **SW1)** Proposed construction of RUB (Subway) in lieu of LC No: 12kk at km 36/11-12 as precast RCC Box of size 1x5.50x4.50m between Chimalpahad - Tadakalapudi stations by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH girder. **SW 2)** Proposed construction of RUB (Subway) in lieu of LC No: 28 at km 87/9-10 as precast RCC Box of size 1x5.50x4.00m between Pandurangapuram - Manuguru stations by Air Pushing method using 20.40m RH girder. (Two packet system) **Approximate Tender Value in Rs. :** 17,22,50,498/-. **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 34,45,000/-. **Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 48.**

1. Tenderers should participate through e-tendering only and no manual offers may be considered.
2. All the prospective tenderers are requested to remit Earnest Money Deposit through online payments / BG only.

Sr. DEN / Co-ordination / Secunderabad.

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

Sr. Coaching Depot Officer, Santragachi, South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur Division, acting through the President of India invites an open tender, through e-tendering in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. Eligible tenderers are requested to apply for the same through online only in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. No offline tender will be accepted. Please read the tender document uploaded in the document section for details. **Sl. No., Tender Notice No. and Name of the work** are as follows: **1. SRC-C-WHEEL-RF-180326.** Transportation of wheel sets on truck from Santragachi and Padmapukur coaching depot (sickline) to Production Shop, Kharagpur carriage Workship and vice-versa for a period of 03 years. **Tender Value:** ₹ 1,47,66,796.80 (including GST). **EMD:** ₹ 2,23,800/-. **2. : SRC-C-Bogie-RF-180326.** Transportation of Bogies on trucks from Santragachi and Padmapukur coaching depot (sickline) to Production Shop, Kharagpur Workshop and vice-versa, for a period of 03 years. **Tender Value:** ₹ 3,41,71,361.28 (including GST). **EMD:** ₹ 3,20,900/-. **Closing date of tender:** 13.04.2026 at 11:00 hrs. for each **Cost of tender document :** ₹ 10,000 (non-refundable) for each. **(PR-1330)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that our client lost the following original documents. i.e., 1)Sale deed dt:22-08-1968, Document No.1214/68-69 executed by Shakunthalamma in favour of Syed Mustafa Pasha, 2)Release deed Dt:23-02-2006, Document No.5170/2005-06, executed by Meera in favour of Leela Bai, in respect of property bearing No. 18/2, New No.8, PID No.50-65-8/3, measuring 4000 sq.ft, situated at 13th A cross, Vedantha Mandhir Road, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-560011.

Our client also lost the original sale deed Dt:23-09-2010, Document No.1109/2010-11 in respect of property bearing No.8/3, situated at 13th A Cross, Vedantha Mandhir Road, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-11.

Our client noticed the jurisdictional police about the loss of the said documents.

Any person finding the aforesaid original Documents are requested to kindly contact the undersigned and handover the same immediately and the persons will be suitably rewarded.

SD/- **K.VENKATA SUDHEER,** Advocate
No.548/51/1, 1st Floor Garuthman Park, Andal Temple Street (Behind R.V.teacher's College) R.V.road, Basavanagudi Bangalore – 560 004
Mobile: 9845682098

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOSS OF PROPERTY DOCUMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE: is hereby given to the general public that my client **Mr. SULTAN PASHA,** S/o Mohammed Ghouse, # 31/1, 16th Cross, Sagayapuram, Frazer Town Post, Bangalore – 560045, has lost the previous original **Sale Deed,** Reg No.20065/01-02, CD No.63, dated: 18-3-2002, pertaining to the Residential Property being Southern Portion of T.P. No.1271, situated in the **Gramathana of Devarajeevanahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, MEASURING** East to West: **34' ft,** North to South: **17'-6" ft,** totally measuring **595 Sq.ft** and bounded on the: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Ambujamma's Land, **North by:** Remaining portion of same property, **South by:** J.S. Ramaswamy's Land.

All people are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document and if anyone fond the said missing documents kindly return to my client **Mr. SULTAN PASHA** and if anyone has already carried out or being carried out any transaction kindly inform my client **Mr. SULTAN PASHA** in writing on the below mentioned address within **10 days** from this present at the above address of my client **(Client Mob: 9740404183 / Office Mob: 8553333724).**

SAMARA ASSOCIATES
KALEEM BAIG B.Sc.,LLB
492, P & T Colony, Nagawara Main Road, Bangalore – 560 045, Mob: 8553333724

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -1 BENGALURU

4th Floor, Telephone House Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore -560 001

O.A. No.1121/2023

Between:Bank Of India, Virgonagar Branch, Virgonagar ,Avalahalli, K. R. Puram, Bengaluru - 560 049 ...Applicant

And

M/s. RABI AUTOMOBILES & Another ....Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993, BY PAPER PUBLICATION

To : 1. M/s.RABI AUTOMOBILE SERVICE CENTRE, Proprietorship Firm, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. S.Selvaraj, Old Madras Road, Kattamnallur, Virgonagar Post, Opp. Commercial Tax Check Post, Bengaluru-560 049.

2. Mr. S. Selvaraj S/o. Joseph Sosai Frenandis, Aged about 66 years, Proprietor of M/s. **RABI AUTOMOBILE SERVICE CENTRE,** Old Madras Road, Kattamnallur, Virgonagar Post, Opp. Commercial Tax Check Post, Bengaluru-560 049.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the above defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.40,72,367.00** (Rupees Forty Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Seven only) amount together with current and future interest, cost and other relief's.

Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of service of summons through Paper Publication on **19.06.2026 at 10.30 A. M.** in person or by a Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **21.11.2025**

By the Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-1 , Bangalore

Tender Notice No. : 8-CWMLGDRBK-ET-2025-26, Dated : 13-03-2026 PUB/2145

Chief Workshop Manager / Lallaguda acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E - Tenders against Tender No. 8-CWMLGDRBK-ET-2025-26 Dated : 13-03-2026 closing Date 06-04-2026 at 11:00 hours. Bidders will be able to submit their original / revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored.

Tender Number : 8-CWMLGDRBK-ET-2025-26. **Description of work :** Annual Maintenance Contract of Kaeser make CSDX 165T/12 Bar Screw Air Compressor at Rail Bogie Karkhana, South Central Railway, Yadgir District, Karnataka State - 585221. **Period :** 24 Months. **Tender Value Rs. Incl. GST :** 4,57,663/-. (Rupees Four Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Three only). **Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) :** 9,200/-. **Date of Closing :** 06-04-2026 at 11:00 hours.

Notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen : Office of the Chief Workshop Manager, Carriage Workshop, Lallaguda, Secunderabad - 500017.

For further Tender conditions / details (available in the tender documents) and for downloading of tender documents, corrigendum please visit our website **http://www.ireps.gov.in.**

Chief Workshop Manager,
A2713 **Lallaguda.**

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer, Yadiyuru Division, Bengaluru West City Corporation, 4th Cross, Jayanagara 7th Block West ,Bengaluru - 560070.

No: EE/(YD)/TEND/03/2025-26 Date:20-03-2026

TENDER CORRIGENDUM NOTIFICATION-2

Sub: Regarding corrigendum for tender notification
Ref:1) This office Tender Notification No. EE(YD)/TEND /03/2025-26 Dated: 04-02-2026
2) This office Tender Corrigendum Notification-1, No.EE(YD)/TEND/03/2025-26 Dated: 21-02-2026

With reference to the above subject, the tender was invited vide notification number: EE/YD/TEND/03/2025-26 on Dated:04-02-2026 by this office, Due to Technical reasons the said tender notification Scheduled dates are modified and postponed as mentioned below. Rest, no other changes in tender terms of the said notification

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded in the KPP portal from **23-03-2026** at **4:30** pm onwards (2) Last Date & Time for uploading tender documents on **06-04-2026** upto **4:00** pm. (3) Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **26-03-2026** at **4:00** pm. (4) Opening of Technical Document on **07-04-2026** at **4:30** pm. (5) Financial opening date will be intimated through KPP Portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Yadiyuru Division, BWCC

Government of India
Department of Space
ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC)
Mahendragiri P.O., Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu– 627 133, India

CORRIGENDUM

Dated : 19.03.2026

In continuation to the e-NIT notifications published, the sale period for the below-mentioned works is extended up to 04-04-2026.

1. Providing cold air feeding unit in Engine Bay of SIET at IPRC, Mahendragiri. (AC Work) (No.: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-177/MI/AC-05/2025-26, Dated:19-02-2026) (Estimated cost: ₹14.56 Lakhs)
2. Resurfacing and widening of existing bituminous road, storm water drain and allied civil works adjacent to new CUS building at IPRC, Mahendragiri. (Civil Work) (No.: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-176/MI/CPH-77/2025-26, Dated:19-02-2026) (Estimated cost: ₹23.24 Lakhs)

For eligibility criteria and other details, interested tenderers may please refer to the detailed bilingual (Hindi-English) Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT) on the website https://www.isro.gov.in/Tenders.html and tender free view at https://www.tenderwizard.com/isro

Group Head, CMG

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
U. R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP
HAL AIRPORT ROAD, VIMANAPURA POST, BENGALURU - 560 017 (Phone: 080 2508-4185, 4156)

BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

1.On behalf of the President of India, item- rate tenders are invited for the following works:

Description	Details	Details
Name of work	Remodelling of Old labs – Clean room for HMC lab at URSC Main Campus, Bengaluru – Civil, Electrical, AC & Mechanical Works – Phase-II.	Replacement of existing UPS LT Panels at AITF-1 and SEG buildings at URSC-ISITE Campus, Marathahalli, Bengaluru
E-Tender Notice	URSC/C&MG/E/C/23/2025-26 Dt.12/03/2026	URSC/C&MG/E/M/22/2025-26, Dt.16/03/2026
Estimated cost put to Tender	₹ 326.52 Lakhs	₹ 22.82 Lakhs
Period of completion in months	Eight (08) Months	Eight (08) Months
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**₹ 6,53,040/- valid for 180 Days**	**₹ 45,640/- valid for 180 Days**

2.Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details in **website:www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**

Sd/-
Group Director, C&MG, URSC

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited Plot No-23, Shal Tower, 3rd Floor, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi- 110005

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Nitesh Kumar/ Rajinder Shah/ TBAMT00006443192	Property Measuring 4 Marle 2-1/2 Sarsahi Being 77/1800 Share Of Land Measuring 5 Kanal 0 Marla Comprised In Khata No. 264/332, Khasra No. 57//10(5-0), As Per Jamabandi Year 2006-2007, Situated at Akalgarh, Tehsil Raikot, District Ludhiana, Punjab- 141001. Standing In The Name of Rajinder Shah Vide Sale Deed Wasika No. 3175, Dated 09/12/2013./ March 17, 2026	October 31, 2025 Rs. 9,80,977.00/-	Bangalore, Ludhiana

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: March 21, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ನಗರಸಭೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಯಾದಗಿರಿ

ಜಿ: ಯಾದಗಿರಿ. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ, ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08443–256300

ಸಂ: ಸಸಯಾ:ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಶಾಖೆ:ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ:2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:17–03–2026.

–: ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ :: ದ್ವೀ–ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ ನಗರಸಭೆಯ ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು ಇವರು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ 1999 ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಗಳು 2000ರ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪದ್ದತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಮೃತ 2.0 ರ ಅನುದಾನದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂಬರ್ DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_ INDENT 54504/CALL-2 - ಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಅರ್ಹ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–4 ರ Standard Tender Documentಗಳ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ರ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆಳಗೆ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು ಆನ್ ಲೈನ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.yadgircity.mrc.gov.in ರಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಡಬಹುದು ಹಾಗೂ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

1) ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ದಿನಾಂಕ :17–03–2026 ರಂದು 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ 2) ಪೂರ್ವ ಬಿಡ್ ಸಭೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ:23–03–2026 ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ 3) ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26–03–2026 ರಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 5.00ರ ವರೆಗೆ 4) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 27–03–2026 5) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 01–04–2026.

ಸಹಿ/– ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು
ನಗರಸಭೆ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರಿ/605/ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಸಿ&ಎ/2025–26

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
MR. MUNIYAPPA ANIL KUMAR Loan A/c No. 4002040001818 Symbolic Possession Date : 16/03/2026	23/10/2025	Rs. 3981359.00	SCHEDULE PROPERTY : All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing Swattu No. 15-1-515-313, (Old Swattu No.250/306/40, Site No.40, measuring East to West: 12.19202 meter and North to South: 9.144018 meter in all total 111.4836 sq.Meters and an constructed house of 110.55457 sq. Meter with RCC roofing , Redoxide Flooring, Electricity fittings and open space situated at 6th Main, 1st Block, Ward No.15, Harohalli, Kolar Nagar and bounded on the: East by: Site No.41, West by: Road, North by: Sy.No.36 Land, South by: Site No.39.

Place: Harohalli
Date: 21.03.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client is an Agreement holder who is intending to purchase residential building constructed on site bearing No. 1769, BDA PID No. 3320130114 (previously Vrushabhavathi Nagar Layout), now situated at further extension of Banashankari 6th Stage, 4th 'H' Block, Bangalore, in a layout formed by B D Authority measuring East to West 6 meters and North to South 9 meters in all measuring 54 Sq meters Bounded on

East by : Site bearing No.1770
West by : Site bearing No.1768
North by : Road.
South by : Site bearing No.1792

Consisting of residential building of 46 square meters of Stilt, 46 square meters of Ground Floor, 52 square meters of First Floor and 52 square meters of Second Floor.

from Mr. Dasharath Naidu, aged about 54 years, S/o. Mr. Kannaiah Naidu Residing at No. 31, 3rd Cross, Abbaiah Naidu Studio, Ittamadu, Arehalli, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru– 560 061.

Any person having any right, title, interest and claim whatsoever in and over the Schedule property or any liability, may lodge their claims/ objections with documentary proof with the undersigned within 20 days from the date of publication of this Notice, otherwise my client shall proceed to complete the Sale transaction as if there are no subsisting claims or objections and that all such claims or objections not filed in time shall be deemed / presumed to have been waived and shall not be binding on my client.

Sd/- **B. B. Umadevi,** Advocate,
No. 715, 1st 'C' Main, 8th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore – 560 070.
Mob. 9343281627 Date: 20/03/2026

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PHED, DIVISION RAJGARH (ALWAR)

No. EE/Raj/NIT/2025-26/3716-34 Date: 11/03/26

NOTICE INVITING BID (50/2025-26)

Bid for Strengthening of Water Supply of Rajgarh Town under DMFT Fund CM Budget Announcement 2026-27 in the jurisdiction of PHED Division Rajgarh (Alwar) are invited from interested bidders from 12.03.2026 to 06.04.2026 upto 6.00 PM. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in)** of the state. The approximate value of the procurement is **₹ 266.48 Lakhs.**

UBN:- **PHE2526WSOB15514**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
PHED Division Rajgarh

DIPR/C/5491/2026

UNICO HOUSING FINANCE PRIVATE LIMITED

Registered Office: The Oval, 8th Floor, No.10 and 12, Venkata Narayana Road, T.Nagar, Chennai - 600 017

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT OF 2002

Whereas, Unico Housing Finance Private Limited through its Head office Chennai, Notice Issued to the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors defaulted in the repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates for the credit facilities obtained by them and the account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset on the respective dates mentioned hereunder in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of Unico Housing Finance Private Limited under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section13(12) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling up on the following borrowers / co-borrowers / guarantors / mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices. The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned as un-claimed and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower Address: 1. Venkatesh (Borrower), 2. Shobha (Co-Borrower/ Guarantor) Both Residing Address: No 528 Rajeswari Nagar, Laggare, Bangalore North, Karnataka, Bangalore - 560 058, Karnataka. **Property Address:** Property bearing Site No.06, Assessment No.40, New Assessment No. 40 3 Khatha No.10, situated at Basavanaha Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. **NPA Date: 10-03-2026, Loan Account No: 974311667301, Date of Demand Notice: 11-03-2026 & Outstanding Amount: Rs. 5,80,655/- as on 11-03-2026**

Description of the Secured Asset : All that piece and parcel of bearing Site No. 06, Old order No. 310, Old Assessment No. 40, New Assessment No. 40/3, Khata No. 10,, situated at Arjunabettahalli Village, Basavanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamngala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and measuring East to West 30-0 feet, and North to South: 40-0 feet and totally measuring 1200 square feet and bounded on: East by: Site No. 07, West by: SiteNo. 05, North by: Road, South by: Private Property.

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers / co-borrowers / guarantors / mortgagors (wherever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 and the applicable rules there under. Please note that under Section 13 (13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Date: 21.03.2026
Place: Chennai

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
(Unico Housing Finance Private Limited)

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA NIYAMITA

(Government of Karanataka)

Office of the Executive Engineer, No.1, HLBC Division, Channarayapatna-573116 Hassan District.

Tele Phone No. : 08176-252204 Fax No. : 08176-256650 E-Mail : eehlbcrp@gmail.com

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO : 10/2025-26 DATED :17.03.2026. Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Single and Two cover System

On behalf of the Managing Director Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Limited, Electronic tenders on ITEMWISE TENDERS on Karnataka public procurement portal are invited by the Executive Engineer, No1, HLBC, Division, Channarayapatna Karnataka from eligible KPWD/ CPWD/ Registered public organization contractors for the works mentioned here under. Total No of works 3 works Types of works Rejuvenation of selected Electromechanical Components of BNT approach, BNT Exit and Obalapura additional LIS Pump house. and Construction of cart bridge at ch 1800 M of D-45 under HLBC. (Two cover System), Construction of cart bridge at ch 6800 M of Ooginahally branch canal under SRDN work (Single cover System) Estimated Amount Rs. 20.87 Lakhs to Rs. 63.01 Lakhs E.M.D. Details Rs. 42000/- to Rs. 127000/- The contractors can obtain the documents and can access KPP Portal. Contractors can download the documents from 18.03.2026 and 09.04.2026 upto 4.00 PM will be the last date for submission of application through KPP Portal. Date of Opening of Technical bid of two cover tender and financial bid of single cover tender will be on 10.04.2026 at 5.00 PM, and financial bid of two cover tender will be opened soon after the approval of technical bid. If any variation found in amount put to tender and E.M.D, amount mentioned in the bid document will be consider as final. Note: Further details can be obtained from the above office or Karnataka Public Procurement Portal website (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).

Sd/- Executive Engineer, No.1, HLBC Division, Channarayapatna, Hassan District.

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

ZILLA PANCHAYAT OFFICE, BELAGAVI-590002

Telephone : 0831-2407207/2407212, e-mail address: dsadmbgm@gmail.com

TENDER NOTIFICATION (4th call)
FOR SUPPLY OF FURNITURE TO GRAM PANCHAYAT LIBRARIES LOCATED IN BELAGAVI DISTRICT

Under the Central Governments "Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment" program for "Children and Adolescents Libraries Digital Infrastructure". The Deputy Secretary (Administration), Zilla Panchayat Belagavi hereby invites Technical & Commercial Bids from eligible bidders for supply of Furniture to the Gram Panchayat Libraries located in Belagavi District, Karnataka through Public Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka (**https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**) Prospective bidders willing to participate in this tender shall necessarily register themselves with above mentioned Public Procurement Portal.

1	Tender Reference No and date (4th call)	No:ZPBGM/ADM/LIBRARY /CR-43/2024-25 Dt: 19.02.2026
2	Approximate Estimated bid value	**Rs: 477.00 Lakhs**
3	Tender document available for download and Tender starting date	**Date: 18.03.2026**
4	Pre Bid meeting	**Date: 24.03.2026 11.00 AM @ ZP office Belagavi**
5	Last date & Time for submission of Tender	**Date: 02.04.2026 05.00 PM**
6	Date & Time of opening of technical bid	**Date: 04.04.2026 11.00 AM**
7	Tentative Date and time for submission of samples	**Date: 06.04.2026 11.00 AM @ ZP office Belagavi**
8	Tentative Date & Time of opening of Commercial bid	**Date: 10.04.2026 11.00 AM**
9	EMD Amount @ 1.5% (Compulsory for all Bidders)	**Rs. 7,15,500/-**

Prospective suppliers willing to participate in this tender can download the bid documents by visiting the web site **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

For any tender clarification contact: **Mobile: 9480854001 e-mail: dsadmbgm@gmail.com**

Sd/-
Deputy Secretary (Administration), Zilla Panchayat Belagavi and Tender Inviting Authority

Sd/-
Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat Belagavi and Tender Accepting Authority

DIPR/Belgavi/2127/Deshpandepublicity/2025-26

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) has issued Demand Notice under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, to the Borrower(s) to pay within 60 days from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:-

Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) / Legal Heir	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Description of Secured asset (immovable property)
Mrs. Ramanna Anitha, G Manju, **Prospect No IL10848306**	**18-Mar-2026 , Rs.87,60,925.00/-** (Rupees Eighty Seven Lakh Sixty Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Only)	All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Being : Property Bearing House List No. 6 & 7, Gramatana Khata No.13 & 14, Area Admeasuring 2400 Sq. Ft, Situated At Baratena Agrahara, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka , 560100 **Bounded By : North:** 20 Feet Road **South:** Site No. 11 & 12 **East:** Property Of Krishnappa **West:** Private Property

If the said Borrower fail to make payment to IIFL HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act, and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers. For further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office :** "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025 or **Corporate Office :** IIFL Tower, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place : Bangalore; Date : 21.03.2026 **Sd/- , Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ, ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಕ: 08382–220556 E–mail: predkarwar@gmail.com

ಪಂರಾಇಂವಿ/ಕಾರವಾರ/ಹೊಗುಸಿ/ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್/2025–26/58 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.03.2026

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ ಮತ್ತು ಉಪ–ವಿಭಾಗಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಖಾಲಿ ಇರುವ ಕಂಪ್ಯೂಟರ್ ಆಪ್‌ರೇಟರ್, ಗ್ರೂಪ್ 'ಡಿ' ಹಾಗೂ ವಾಹನ ಚಾಲಕ ಖಾಲಿ ಇರುವ ಹುದ್ದೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಒಟ್ಟೂ 18 ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಗಳ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01.04.2026 ರಿಂದ 11 ತಿಂಗಳ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಹೊರಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲದ ಏಜೆನ್ಸಿಯ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಆಸಕ್ತ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ದಾರರು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26.03.2026 ರ ಸಂಜೆ 04.00 ಗಂಟೆಯೊಳಗೆ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಮೂನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವಿಳಾಸ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

(1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.03.2026 (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗೆ ಇಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ: ರೂ. 54.88 ಲಕ್ಷ (3) ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26.03.2026 ಸಂಜೆ 04.00 ಗಂಟೆ (4) ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಹಾಕಿರುವ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.03.2026 ಸಂಜೆ 05.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (5) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನೊಂದಿಗೆ ಪಾವತಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ: ರೂ. 10000.00

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ

DIPR/KWR/KSMCA/1231/ 25-26 dt. 20.03.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our client intends to purchase or acquire the properties, which are more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written and hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Schedule Property".

ALL persons including an individual, a Hindu Undivided Family, a company, banks, financial institution(s), non- banking financial institution(s), a firm, an association of persons or a body of individuals whether incorporated or not, lenders and/or creditors having any objection, claim, right, title and/or interest in respect of Schedule Property or any part or portion thereof by way of sale, memorandum of understanding, exchange, mortgage, pledge, charge, gift, trust, inheritance, bequest, succession, family arrangement, grant, possession, lease, sub-lease tenancy, sub-tenancy, maintenance easement, license, bequeath, share, assignment, lien, attachment, development rights, covenant, settlement right of way, lis pendens, reservation, agreement, FSI consumption, development rights, order/decree/judgement of court or any liability or commitment or otherwise or demand of any nature whatsoever are hereby requested to inform the same in writing, supported with the original documents, to the undersigned having their office at 6/12, Gurappa Avenue, Primrose Road Bengaluru 560 025 within a period of 14 (Fourteen) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, the claim or claims, if any, of such person or persons shall be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and our client would be at liberty to proceed with the intended transaction in connection with the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the converted lands mentioned hereinbelow situated at Kambeepura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District:

Sl No	Description of Property	Boundaries			
		East by	West by	North by	South by
I	Survey No.249/1 (having E-Khata No. 150200300200123060, VP Khata No. 2013/2011/249/1) admeasuring 6070.28 Sq Mts.	Sy No. 43 & Road.	Sy No. 43.	Sy No. 43.	Sy No. 249/2
II	Survey No.249/2 (having E-Khata No. 150200300200123062 VP Khata No. 2013/2011A/249/2) measuring 18212.32 Sq Mts.	Sy No. 43 & Road.	Sy No. 43.	Sy No. 249/1.	Sy No. 43.

Mr. S T Prashantha Kumar,
Senior Partner & Advocate, Mr. B.C. Keerthi Kishore, Practice Head & Advocate
Fox Mandal & Associates, Solicitors & Advocates, FM House, 6/12, Primrose Road, Bangalore – 560025, Karnataka, Phone: +91 80 2559 5911
e-mail : prashantha.kumar@foxmandal.in

UCO BANK

यूको बैंक (भारत सरकार का उपक्रम) सम्मान आपके विश्वास का — UCO BANK (A Govt. of India Undertaking) Honours Your Trust

UCO Bank, Hesarghatta Branch, Hesarghatta Road, No. 28, MEI Layout, Bagalgunte, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560073
Tel: 080-28379615 | **E-mail:** hesara@ucobank.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable property)

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the UCO Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002(No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section13(12) read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **11-12-2025** upon the borrower **Mr. Shivkumar D S/o Doddaiah K & Mrs. Sumithra W/o Mr. Shivkumar D (Co-Applicant)** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.23,19,051.41 (Rupees Twenty Three Lacs Nineteen Thousand Fifty One and Paisa Forty One Only)** with unapplied interest plus other expenses within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on this 16/03/2026.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the UCO Bank for an amount of **Rs. 23,19,051.41** and further interest plus expenses thereon.

PARTICULARS OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY MORTGAGED TO BANK

All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Residential site bearing No. 32/1, Ward No. 66 situated at 4th Main Road, B Block, 2nd Stage Rajaji Nagar, Gayathri Nagar, Bangalore City measuring and bounded as follows: **MEASUREMENTS:-** East to West :- (52+60)/2 = 56 feet North to South :- (30+24)/2 = 27 feet Totally measuring 1512 sq. feet **BOUNDED BY:- East:** Road **West:** Property of Seetharamaiah **North:** Property of Yogananda **South:** Property No. 3796

Date : 16/03/2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place : Bangalore **(UCO Bank)**

Form No. 14 [See Regulation 33(2)]
By Regd. A/D Dasti failing which by Publication

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - I/II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALURU (DRT 2)
Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Dept. of Financial Services, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Karnataka (Bengaluru)
4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Pincode-560 001.

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961
RC/288/2024 in OA NO. 1062/2021
BANK OF BARODA Versus M/S. PADMAVATHI APPARELS AND OTHERS

(CH) Bank Of Baroda, BTM Layout Branch, Bangalore - 560068, Karnataka.
VS **- Certificate Holder**

(CD 1) M/s. Padmavati Apparels, Rep. By its Proprietor, Smt.Padma G, S. R. No. 36/5, 3rd Floor, 27th Main, Haralakunte Village, HSR Layout, Bangalore - 560010.

(CD 2) Smt. Padma G, W/o. Sri Shivakumar, No. F104, 7th Cross, Bharathnagar 1st Stage, Viswaneedam, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560091, **Also At :** Smt. Padma G W/o. Sri Shivakumar, R/at : No. A - 103, Vandana Marble, VGP Layout, Kudlu, Begur Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560068.

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursurance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, BANGALORE (DRT-2) in **OA/1062/2021** an amount of **Rs. 54,51,317.24/-** (Rupees Fifty Four Lakh Fifty One Thousand Three Hundred and Seventeen and Paisa Twenty Four only) along with pendentellite and future interest @ 13.65% Compound Interest Monthly w.e.f. 07.09.2021 till realization and costs of **Rs. 1,31,255/-** (Rupees One Lakh, Thirty One Thousand and Two Hundred and Fifty Five Only) has become due against you jointy and severally. Plus, penal interest @2%p.a. is also applicable/payable.

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on **28.10.2024** at 10.30 a.m for further proceedings.

5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay :

(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.

(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date : **21.05.2024.**

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Inome Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act. 1993 (Amended from time to time) which is reproduced as under : "Rule 16(1) where a notie has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall be any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

3) You are also liable to disclose your assets both movable and immovable to this Tribunal along with the Income Tax Returns of Last 5 years.

Copy To :-
Bank Of Baroda
BTM Layout Branch

Recovery officer
DEBTS RECVERY TRIBUNAL BANAGLORE (DRT 2)

You are directed that the payment made, if any, by the Certificate Debtors(s) be credited to the conslidated account of all debts due in this case from the Certificate Debtor(s) and the Recovery Officert kept posted with the payment Position Regularly The Consolidation accounts so maintained will vbe subjecte t the verification of the Recovery Officer. You are further directed to submit an up to dare statement of the total claim in respect of the above matter and full details of property particulars whrefrom the recovery of the debt is to be made.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. Poojamma W/o Eshwarappa R/a. Pacharalahalli Village, Arudi Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk.

We hereby declare that my client has Lost the below mentioned Original Title deeds Near RBL Bank Ltd, Doddaballapura Branch, on 20th March 2026.

We hereby declare that my client has Lost the below mentioned Original Title deeds Near RBL Bank ltd, Doddaballapura Branch, on 20th March 2026.

The Document of title Original Title deeds (Grant Certificate) with respect to Sy.No.120 measuring 04 acres 15 guntas situated at Banavathi village, Sasalu Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Grant vide No.NND.UCR.421/1994-95 dated 05/07/1996, having the registered Grant in Doddaballapura Tahasildhar Office, Further Police complaint has been lodged on 20/03/2026 in Online bearing Lost Report. No.2117662/2026 to this effect which has been duly acknowledged. The above Public Notice is now issued. Any person having claim/in possession of the said document may represent to the under signed within **7 days** failing which it will be taken that there are no claims.

A.Prashanth, Advocate
No.3755, SAMPRATHI, DESHADAPETE
Doddaballapur Town-561203. Mob : 9886628181.

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE
Mayo Hall, C.C.H. No.29 Bangalore HG 23/4/2026
P&SC 25055/2025

PETITIONER:
Mr. Conrad Anthony Woolger S/o. Late Mr. William Anthony Woolger, Aged about 70 years, Flat No.103, Rose Queen Apartment, Rose Lane, Richmond town, Bangalore-560 025.
Vs
RESPONDENT NIL

Notice is hereby given that a petition have been made to this court under section 276 of the Indian Succession Act, for grant of probate of Will in respect of the immovable property and movable assets as per the amendment, of the deceased late Daphne Mary Borthwick who died on 6-9-2025.

Be it known that no caveat has been entered and the said petition is posted for hearing on 23.4.2026. All persons claiming to have any interest in the assets of the deceased may come and see the proceedings before grant of Probate with Will attached.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this. 13 March, 2026.

By order of the court : Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall, Bangalore

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Traffic Commercial Department, 2nd Floor, Shanthinagar TTMC, K.H. Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560 027.

No: BMTC:CO:TR:COM:2019:4921:2025-26 Date: 20.03.2026

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 35/2025-26

(e-Procurement Platform)

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites offers/bids from the interested Persons/Agencies to operate & maintain Housekeeping & Toilet complex (H1 & L1) at various bus stations/T.T.M.Cs of BMTC through e-procurement platform.

Last date & time for submission of Bids	**07.04.2026 up to 17:00 hrs.**
Opening of Technical Bids	**09.04.2026 at 11:00 hrs.**
Opening of Financial Bids	**To be Intimated later**

Further details in this regard can be obtained in the e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or by Contacting: **09240214000; 09240214001; 080-22483777 or 7760991222**
E-mail: ctmc@mybmtc.com.

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager (Com) (Tender Inviting Authority)

Government of India
Ministry of Heavy Industries

Ministry of Heavy Industries, Government of India, has released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for shortlisting and selection of beneficiaries under the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnet for setting up of 6,000 MTPA of integrated sintered NdFeB Rare Earth Permanent Magnet (REPM) manufacturing facilities in the country.

The detailed document can be accessed on: https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app., Vide No.: Tender ID: 2026_DFIN_903066_1

CBC 18101/11/0001/2526

IN THE COURT OF THE V ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE BANGALORE RURAL DISTRICT AT DEVANAHALLI

G & WC. NO.15002/2026

BETWEEN : 1. Smt. Meenakshi. R W/o Late. Raghavendra Prasad Aged about 39 years,

2. Sri. Ranjeet Yuvaraj S/o.Late. Raghavendra Prasad. R Aged about 15 years, No.2 Minor represented by his mother And natural guardian Smt. Meenakshi. R Both are R/at: No.34, Sri. Sai. Prakruthi, 4th A Cross, Dasaahalli Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore -560024 **...Petitioner**

AND : Nil **...Respondent**

NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

WHEREAS, the above petitioner has instituted a Section 29 of the Guardians and Wards Act 1809 proceedings in respect of the properties in the below mentioned schedule, It is hereby informed to the general public that if anybody have any objections for this petition, they can oppose the same before the above court on **29th day of April 2026 at 11 'O' Clock** i.e., next date of hearing. In default, the Hon'ble Court will presume that there is no objections from anyone in granting order to the petitioner and will proceed accordingly.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.1 All that peace and parcel of the 1/6th share of the minor petitioner no.2 out of the immoveable property being agricultural dry land property bearing Old Sy. No.3, Re Sy.No.94, New Sy. No.166 measuring 2 Acre situated at Navarathna Agrahara Village, Jala Hobli, Yalahanka (Bangalore North Additional Taluk) which is bounded on:
East by : Property in Sy.No. 167,
West by : Property of R.Meenakshi,
North by : Road and Property of Govindappa,
South by : Property in Sy. No.74,

Item No.2 All that peace and parcel of the 1/6th share of the minor petitioner, no.2 out of the immoveable property being agricultural dry land property bearing Old Sy.No.3, Re Sy. No.94, New Sy. No.167 measuring 1 Acre situated at Navarathna Agrahara Village, Jala Hobli, Yalahanka (Bangalore North Additional Taluk) which is bounded on;
East by : Property of Premakaranth,
West by : Property of R.Meenakshi,
North by : Road and Property of Govindappa,
South by : Property in Sy. No.74,

Given under the seal and sign of the Hon'ble court on 16th day of March 2026.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
5th Addl. District & Sessions Court, Devanahalli

Advocate for Petitioner
B.S. Radhanandan Advocate
Office at : No.239/1, 4th Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore -560018

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER

No. NWR-AII0ADMIN(GENS)/45/2022
Dated : 18.03.2026

CPM /GSU/ NWR Ajmer on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders for the following work up to 15.00 Hrs. on the mentioned date. **Tender No. :** GSUAII-VB-MD-2026-01 **Name of work :** Construction of office building, scrap yard shed, approach road, dismantling of existing structure, and extension of Sick line shed, Dismantling of track, track work for pit and other miscellaneous works (including Electric general work) in c/w up-gradation of maintenance facilities at coaching depot Madar for Vande Bharat Maintenance. **Approximate cost of work :**Rs.23,04,41,345.88 **Bid Security :** Rs. 46,08,900.00 **Date & Time of closing E-Tender :** 08.04.2026 at 15.00 Hrs. **Date & Time of opening E-Tender :** 08.04.2026 at 15.30 Hrs. The details of above E - tender are available on website **www.ireps.gov.in** **396-CR/26**

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IN THE COURT OF THE VIII Addl. CITY CIVIL & Sessions JUDGE (CCH-15) AT BANGALORE IN EXECUTION PETITION. No.: 2329/2025

BETWEEN :
SRI. M. PRABHAKAR S/o Late Mariyappa, Aged about 75 Years, R/at No.2, 4th Cross, Byatarayanapura, Mysore Road, Benagluru-560026 ... DECREE HOLDER
AND
1. MR. PRADEEPA.B (Partner of New Life Hospital) S/o Billyappa, Aged about 35 years, R/at No.211, Divi Nilaya, 5th Cross, Vidhana Soudha Layout, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072. **2. Mr.H.ZAKIR HUSSAIN** (Partner of New Life Hospital), S/o Late Havanur Shai Sab, Aged about 35 years, R/at Villa No.70 Zunaira Manzil, Sharavanthi Oakridge, Adarsha Layout, Banashankari 6th Stage, Talaghattapura, Benagaluru-560109 ...JUDGEMENT DEBTORS

SUMMONS TO THE JUDGEMENT DEBTORS
SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

1. MR. PRADEEPA.B (Partner of New Life Hospital) BY WAY OF S/o Biliyappa, Aged about 35 years, R/at No.211, Divi Nilaya, 5th Cross, Vidhana Soudha Layout, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072. **2. Mr.H.ZAKIR HUSSAIN** (Partner of New Life Hospital) S/o Late Havanur Shai Sab, Aged about 35 years, R/at Villa No.70 Zunaira Manzil, Sharavanthi Oakridge, Adarsha Layout, Banashankari 6th Stage, Talaghattapura, Benagaluru-560109 ...JUDGEMENT DEBTORS

WHEREAS, the Decree holder has filed the above execution petition against the Judgement Debtors for recovery of money to the tune of Rs. 17,67,840/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand eight hundred and Forty only) along with an interest of 18% p.a and delivery of peaceful and vacant possession of the suit schedule property. The above case is posted on 17/04/2026 at 11:00 a.m. for objections. You, the above mentioned Judgement Debtors are hereby summoned to appear either in person or through an Advocate on the said date. if any, failing which the matter will be heard and determined ex-parte.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE COURT DATED: 16/3/26.

By Order of the Court : Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru

CHAITANYA & NITHYANANDA, Advocates, No.88/C, III Floor, 12th cross, Mahalakshmi Layout Main Road, Bangalore-560086.

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	C Deepak & D Rochas Berlin/ Unit No. 102 Plot 14, Silver Fields By Urban Tree Phase II 100, Vayalanallur Village, 34/1A2,34/20A1AA1 A1 Chennai- 600071/ TBCHE00006544257	Schedule of Property. Schedule- A (Description of The Total Property) All That Piece And Parcel of Vacant Land Comprised In Survey No.32/1B, Measuring Acre 2 And Cents 54.50, In Survey No.34/1A2, Measuring Acre 2 And Cents 30 And In Survey No.34/1B, Measuring Acre 1 And Cents 20 In All Measuring Acre 6 And Cents 04.50 Situated At No.14, Vayalanallur Village, Poonamallee Taluk, Thiruvallur District And Situated Within The Registration District of Tiruvallur And Sub Registration District of Poonamallee And Within The Limits of Vayalanallur Panchayat. Schedule- B (Description of Vacant Land Hereby Conveyed) All That Piece And Parcel of A Vacant Land Bearing Plot No 102, Measuring An Extent of 2232 Sq.ft. Comprised In Survey No: 34/1A2, Now Survey No.34/20A1AA1A1 In The Schedule "A" Property, Developed As Layout Under The Project Name "Silver Fields By Urban Tree Phase II" Approved By Cmda Vide Planning Permission Ppd/l.o. No.05/2022, Dated: 25.01.2022, Permit No.14611, And The Commissioner, Poonamallee Panchayat Union In Letter R.C. No.0382/2020/a3, Dated: 10.02.2022, And By The President, Vayalanallur Panchayat In Letter R.C. No.0017/2022, Dated: 22.02.2022, And Registered With Tnrera Vide Registration Certificate No. Tn/02/layout/0889/2022, Dated: 02.03.2022, Delineated And Coloured Green In The Plan Annexed Herewith And Having Linear Measurements: East To West On The Northern Side- 49 Feet, East To West On The Southern Side - 39 Feet 10 Inches, North To South On The Eastern Side - 37 Feet 9 Inches, North To South On The Western Side - 49 Feet 7 Inches, South East Side Splay: 15 Feet 9 Inches. Bounded On The :- North By : Plot No: 154 (Part), Plot No: 155, & Plot No: 106, South By : Plot No: 101, And Siva Avenue, East By : Plot No: 143, West By : Land In Survey No: 34/1A1. And Situated Within The Formerly Registration District of Chennai South, Presently Registration District of Thiruvallur, Sub-Registration District of Poonamallee. And Within The Limits of Vayalanallur Panchayat. There Is No Superstructure On This Property. Date of Physical Possession 18 March 2026	August 12,2025 Rs. 38,16,994/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: March 21, 2026 Sincerely Authorised Officer,
Place: Bangalore For ICICI Bank Ltd.

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

ESTD: 1907

Administrative Office: # 3, PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD, CHAMARAJAPET, BANGALORE –18. Ph. : 26678572 : 26600512 : 26609066.

SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E- AUCTION

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with provision to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to Borrower that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured Creditor, the symbolically/constructive/ Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is Where is ", "As is What is" and "Whatever there is"** basis on **09.04.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to The Bangalore City Co Operative Bank Ltd. Administrative office .

The Details are as under : Reserve price and Earnest money deposits details are as under & the Earnest money deposit shall be deposited on or before **08.04.2026 At 5 : 00 PM,** through online payments Like RTGS/NEFT to the account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD in favouring **The Bangalore City Co Operative Bank Ltd, Administrative office.**

Sl No	Name of the Borrower, address & Branch Name	Description of property & Boundaries & Measurement	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Amount of Secured debt from Date	Date & time of Auction
01.	**Sri. Shanmugam. S (Deceased) L/R's 1) Manjula (Wife) 2) Kugan (Son) & Kavya (Daughter),** No.17, 3rd Cross, Kallappa Block, Srirampuram, Bengaluru-21. **Branch : HEAD OFFICE**	Gramatana Property New No. 17, old No.17, 3rd Cross, Kalappa Block, BBMP Ward No. 25 of Ramachandrapura, PID No. 25-8-17, Bengaluru. **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 45 feet** **East by:** Others property **West by:** Property belongs to Pillamma **North by:** 10 feet Conservancy **South by:** 3rd Cross Road.	**Rs. 1,03,00,000/- (in words One Crore Three Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 10,30,000/- (in words Ten Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 2,88,68,217/- As on 13.3.2026 Notice Date 16.3.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
02.	**Sri. Saravanan** No.36, 5th Cross, Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Sriramapuram, Bengaluru-21. **Branch : VIJAYANAGAR**	New Municipal No. 12/89, 1st Main, Kalappa Block, Old Kethamaranahalli Village, Sy. No. 63/3, now property No. 16, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, BBMP Ward No. 25 of Ramachandrapura, PID No. 25-4-12/89, Bangalore. **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : Eastern side : 5 feet, Western Side : 26 feet.** **East by :** K. Krishnappa Murthy Property **West by:** Site No. 17, **North by:** Water Channel **South by:** Road	**Rs. 23,00,000/- (in words Twenty three Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 2,30,000/- (in words Two Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 42,34,461/- AS on 13.3.2026 Notice Date 16.3.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
03.	**Smt. Padmavathi. V (Deceased) Legal Heirs 1) Ajaya Kumar V (Son), 2) Saanvi. V (Daughter)** No.162, 7th Cross, Kodirappa Road, Doddakunte Cox Town, Bengaluru-05. **Branch : INDIRANAGAR**	New No. 167, Old No. 43, Northern Portion, Doddakunte , Cox Town, BBMP Ward No. 85, New Ward no. 79 of Sarvagna Nagar, PID No. 85-38-167, Bengaluru. **East :- 25 feet, West :- 25 feet, & North :- 26 feet & South :- 26 feet.** **East by :** Venkataramanappa's House **West by :** Lane & Barber Muniswamy's House **North by :** K. Nanjundappa's House & Now Kamalamma's House **South by :** Narasamma's House	**Rs. 40,00,000/- (in words Forty Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 4,00,000/- (in words Four Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 59,47,898/- & AS on 13.3.2026 Notice Date 16.3.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
04.	**Smt. Rani. S** No. 10/1, Sirsi Road, Near BESCOM Office, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018. **Branch : Jnanajyothinagar**	No.120/1, Old Khatha No. 118, New BBMP Khatha No. 416/1/389/1/300, Situated at Kengeri Grama, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Presently Coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 159 of Kengeri, Bengaluru. **East to West: 40 Feet & North to South: 30 feet** **East by :** Thimmakka's Property **West by :** Seenappa's Property **North by :** Marakka's property **South by :** 4 feet Passage	**Rs. 47,15,000/- (in words Forty Seven Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 4,71,500/- (In Words Four Lakh Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Only)**	**Rs. 67,28,931/- & 13.3.2026 Notice Date 16.3.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
05.	**Sri. Chalavaraju .** No.56, Old. No.114, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru. **Branch : Jnanajyothinagar**	1st Schedule All that piece and parcel of House Property / vacant Site bearing : Old No. 15 New BBMP 15/3, New No. as per Khatha Amalgamation 15/2, Old PID No. 18-52-15/3, New PID No. 18-52-15/2, Sy, No. 70/6, situated at 5th Cross Road, Karekallu, Kamashipalya, previously known as Kamakshipalya Grama, Sanneguruvenahalli Dhakale, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 18 and New Ward No. 101 of Kamashipalya Bengaluru. **East to West : 39 feet & North to South : 26 ½ feet** **East by:** 03 feet common Passage out of property No. 15 **West by:** 02 feet common Passage out of property No. 15 **North by:** Remaining portion of property Number 15 & others property **South by:** 4 feet common Passage out of property number No. 15 & thereafter other property. **2nd Schedule** Old No. 15, (Northern West portion), New BBMP property No. 15/3, New No as per Khatha Amalgamation 15/2, Old PID No. 18-52-15/3, New PID No. 18-52-15/2, Sy No. 70/6 of Kamakshipalya Village, 5th Cross Road, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Sanneguruvenahalli Dhakale, YeshwanthapuraHobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 18 & New Ward No. 101 of Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru. **East to West : 15 feet & North to South : 1 ½ feet** **East by:** Others property **West by:** 2 feet Common Passage & thereafter Others property **North by:** Others Property **South by:** Municipal No.15, Item No.01, consisting of 39 X 26 ½ feet **3rd Schedule:-** Old No. 15, (East portion), New BBMP property No. 15/2, PID No. 18-52-15/3, Sy No. 70/6 of Kamakshipalya Village, 5th Cross Road, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Sanneguruvenahalli Dhakale, Yeshwanthapur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 18 & New Ward No. 101 of Kamashipalya, Bengaluru. **East to West : 15 feet & North to South : 24 feet** **East by:** Remaining Portion of Same Number property **West by:** Smt. Vani's property **North by:** Smt. Sujatha's property **South by:** 4 feet Common Passage .	**Rs. 56,80,000/- (in words Fifty Six Lakhs Eighty Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 5,68,000/- (in words Five Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 45,18,387/- & 13.3.2026 Notice Date 16.3.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
06.	**Sri. Rajanna Paramananda C.P** No.115, Near BSNL Tower Chinna Kurchi Village, K. Gollahalli Post, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru-60. **Branch : Jnanajyothinagar**	No.88, out of Sy. No. 15/3 of Chinna Kurchi Village, Panchayathi Khatha No. 96/88, New No. 150200300301800122, Chinna Kurchi Village, Kengere Hobli, Gollahalli Gramapanchathi Limits, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru. **East to West : 75 feet & North to South : 54 feet** **East by :** Property belongs to Parashivaiah S/o Siddappa, **West by :** Property belongs to Muniyamma, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Property belongs to Venkateshappa,	**Rs. 50,00,000/- (in words Fifty lakh)**	**Rs. 5,00,000/- (in words Five Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 1,31,51,663/- AS on 13.03.2026 Notice Date 18.03.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**
07.	**Smt. Mohsin Taj** No.304, 19th A Cross, 6th block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-11 **Branch : Chamarajpet West**	New Municipal No. 15/1, (Northern Portion), Previously Site No. 15/1, T.P. No. 1563A, Old No. 1563, Khatha No. 2374/1856, Situated at 3rd Cross, Ambedkar Nagar, P & T Colony, Devarajeevanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, PID No. 95-469-15/1, Kaval Byrasandra, BMP Ward No. 95, Bengaluru. **East to West: 29 Feet & North to South: 17 feet.** **East by :** Site No. 16 **West by :** Passage & Bajari Leather Shop. **North by :** Site No. 8 **South by :** Remaining Portion of the same Property retained by the vendor.	**Rs. 17,00,000/- (in words Seventeen Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 1,70,000/- (in words One Lakhs Seventy Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 36,26,932/- AS on 18.03.2026 Notice Date 18.03.2026**	**09.04.2026 10 : 00 A M To 11 :00 A M**

Date & time of inspection : 07.04.2026 - 10 : 00 AM to 5: 00 PM	Bank Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/IFSC Code : BANK NAME : INDUSIND BANK BRANCH: The Bangalore City Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Head office Branch A/c No. 000220105013061 IFSC Code – INDB0BCCB02
Last date of deposit of EMD : 08.04.2026, Before 5:00 PM	
Bid Factors : Rs. 50,000/-	

The borrower /mortgagor attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset). This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower. For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in The Bangalore City Co Operative Bank Ltd. Website ie. ,**www.bccbl.co.in** under the head **"Mortgaged Assets for Sale".** The E-auction will be conducted through portal **https://bankauctions.in,** on **09.04.2026 from 10.00. A.M to 11.00 A.M** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **https://bankauctions.in/** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **08.04.2026)** from **M/s 4 Closure, Mr. Prakash Reddy & Varun. B , No.22, 5th Cross, Gurumahal Extension, Opp. Indian Hotel, K.G. Halli, Jalahalli (West), Bengaluru-560015** Mobile No: **8142000064, 8142000809** E-mail: **prakash@bankauctions.in & karnataka@bankauctions.in** For More details contact **recovery@bccbl.co.in,** Mobile Number : **080-26600512, 26609066 .**

Date: 20.03.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **The Bangalore City Co-Operative Bank Limited**

EDITORIAL

The history of thought... seems to be seeking and discovering more and more discontinuities, whereas history itself appears to be abandoning the interruption of events in favour of stable structures

Michel Foucault

INDIAN EXPRESS IS NOT AN INDUSTRY. IT IS A MISSION.

— Ramnath Goenka

RISING COST OF WAR GOES FAR BEYOND BARRELS & BORDERS

THE effects of the Gulf War have spilled far beyond oil wells and gas fields. It is hitting pill strips, dinner plates, fertiliser bags and shipping lanes—with devastating results for everyday lives the world over. The escalation in West Asia is laying bare a hard truth: modern economies are not just powered by petrochemicals, they are built with the critical inputs they provide. So, when that flow tightens, the shock spreads far beyond energy prices.

India, the world's pharmacy, is on the frontline of a supply shock it cannot control. Its vast generic drug industry, which feeds millions at home, runs on essential petrochemical inputs. From active ingredients and solvents to coatings and packaging, several critical links depend on them. Disrupt benzene or ethylene and the system does not just slow, it starts to strain at the seams.

Essential medicines will remain on the shelves, but their costs will rise. Big pharma manufacturers may absorb the hit briefly, but the smaller ones cannot. When they fail, patients would suffer, especially in a lower-middle-income country like India. The crisis is not stopping at medicines. Energy disruption is now bleeding into fertiliser supply chains. It's not just a fifth of the world's oil supply that passes through the Strait of Hormuz, more than a fourth of the global fertiliser supply also does. As fertiliser prices surge, food prices will follow. Yields may come under pressure through the year. This is how war globalises hunger.

The dual exposure is stark for India, a nation dependent on stable input costs for both its pharmaceutical strength and agricultural backbone. For the world, the risks are even broader. Supply chains are not breaking in isolation but are fraying simultaneously across sectors that sustain life itself. Shipping costs rise, insurance premiums spike, trade slows. Each link adds friction and, together, they create a drag on the global economy.

What emerges is a new hierarchy of vulnerability. Energy shocks were once cyclical disruptions. Now they are systemic triggers. When oil flows are threatened, medicine becomes expensive, food becomes scarce and access to a variety of goods becomes unequal. This is the real cost of the war—not to be measured just in terms of energy security, but in medicines denied, crops made unaffordable and millions more pushed closer to the edge.

IDEOLOGICAL LINES BLURRING MORE THAN EVER IN KERALA

IN politics, loyalty is often treated as a mere strategic currency, not a moral imperative. Here, personal and opportunistic interests matter over ideologies and principles. Yet, what's happening in Kerala does evoke surprise. In a state where politics is ubiquitous in every sphere of life, ideological boundaries are crumbling fast and politicians are moving parties more freely than ever. The '*Aya* Ram, *gaya* Ram' culture that defined politics elsewhere seems to have made decisive inroads into Kerala, too.

What's significant is the mass exodus of leaders from the two deeply ideological communist parties—CPI(M) and CPI—to contest under the banner of the Congress-led UDF or the BJP-led NDA. As many as seven senior leaders of the CPI(M)-led LDF, including sitting and former MLAs, have shifted loyalties. Ironically, it's in the communist citadel of Kannur that the CPI(M) is facing its biggest crisis, having lost two senior leaders with considerable support bases. Both are contesting this time with the Congress's support and pose a serious threat to CPI(M)'s hegemony in the Malabar region.

Elsewhere, G Sudhakaran, a former minister, has parted ways with the CPI(M) to contest as a Congress-backed independent in Ambalapuzha. P K Sasi in Ottapalam and P Aisha Potty in Kottarakkara are other senior leaders who will fight against their former party. S Rajendran, a former CPI(M) legislator, is the BJP candidate for Devikulam, marking a stark ideological shift. Sitting legislator C C Mukundan and former MLA K Ajith have been fielded by the BJP in Nattika and Vaikom, respectively, after their shift from the CPI.

There have been desertions from the Congress and BJP ranks too, underlining the all-round blurring of ideological lines and rise of opportunistic tendencies driven by a desire for power. It's not that Kerala politics has not witnessed defections in the past, but it has never been on this scale. One thing is evident amid all the changes—the communist fortress is showing cracks, undermined by a gradual but clear erosion of ideology and identity.

As transactional calculations are looming larger, the politics of ambition is stamping its authority over the politics of principles. This assembly election will go down in history as one that made every party in Kerala look just like the others.

QUICK TAKE

TAILOR MESSAGE, SUPPORT MESSENGER

THE government's selection of 219 districts for intensified HIV/AIDS intervention is welcome given the lopsided distribution of the disease burden across India. The National AIDS Control Organisation reported last year that Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka together accounted for two-fifths of the country's burden. Also, the share of persons with HIV has been rising fast in Punjab and Meghalaya, whereas it's been dipping in Tamil Nadu and Kerala. However, the government would do well to learn from the early intervention efforts in the 2000s. A substantial section of the country's pool of trained health workers continue to suffer from irregularity of work because of funding uncertainty. Effective intervention also means adapting to the mores and morals of the target community to tailor messages for them.

As separate states were carved out from Assam, colonial history and tribal geography hardened anxiety against immigrants across the region. Communities must discard the inherited pre-modern mindset

A CARTOGRAPHY OF DEMOGRAPHIC ANGST IN THE NORTHEAST

PRADIP PHANJOUBAM

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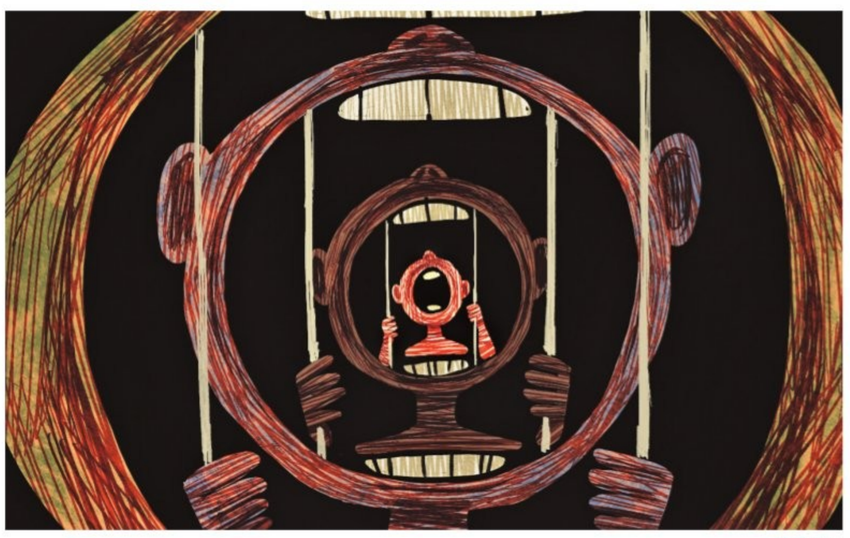

SOURAV ROY

LAST fortnight, a violent agitation erupted over a move to allow nomination of non-tribal settlers in the election to the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council in Meghalaya mandated by the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution. Two lives were lost and several properties damaged.

Meghalaya has three autonomous district councils or ADCs, one each for the Khasi, Jaintia and Garo tribes. ADCs are local self-governance institutions under the panchayat system, but are exclusive to northeastern tribal communities and have more juridical powers under tribal customary laws.

The law was conceived for Assam after India's independence, when almost all of the Northeast, except Tripura and Manipur, were part of the state. The intended targets were Assam's tribal hill districts beyond the British-era Inner Line drawn by the Bengal Eastern Regulation, 1873. This line divided Assam's hills and valleys not just in temporal space, but also in metaphoric time—between 'modern' and 'pre-modern', 'law' and 'no-law', as Boddhisatva Kar explains in *When Was the Postcolonial? A History of Policing Impossible Lines*.

The ADCs introduced a good measure of administrative autonomy to Assam's tribal domains that were once designated as 'excluded areas' or 'partially excluded areas'. Most of them have now been carved out as full-fledged states. The Sixth Schedule should have become redundant for them. It initially did so in most places except in Meghalaya, where the ADCs almost totally overlap with the state's administration, except in capital Shillong.

When erstwhile Assam's Lushai Hills—now Mizoram—gained Union Territory status in 1987, the Sixth-Schedule ADCs were allowed to lapse. In 1972, when Mizoram was upgraded to a state, three small pockets of non-Mizo communities—the Chakma, the Lai and the Mara—were again given their own ADCs.

The case of former Naga Hills district is peculiar. By the time of Indian independence, a strong movement for Naga sovereignty had taken shape. The Sixth Schedule was meant to pacify such discontents. The Naga leaders, however, rejected this concession and insisted on sovereignty. Ironically, the Naga Hills were the first to be bifurcated from Assam to become a full-fledged state in 1963.

Arunachal Pradesh always had autonomy as the North East Frontier Agency, though under the charge of the Assam Governor during the British days. Today, this tribal-majority state is covered by the panchayat system, not the Sixth Schedule.

The peculiar status of Meghalaya was predicated by its administrative structure under the British. These hills were classified as 'partially excluded areas', giving the population some representation in Assam's provincial government—though through nomination by the Governor, not by popular choice.

Shillong was also the capital of undivided Assam. Therefore, it was inevitable that immigration would bring a cosmopolitan tendency to its demography. This resulted in a unique sense of insecurity among its original population, which prompted a felt need for Sixth-Schedule protection even after separation from Assam to become a full-fledged state in 1972.

This brief historical background should make clearer the deeper causes of the recent violence in Meghalaya. Such flames could not have been fanned if there was nothing to burn in the first place. In this sense, Meghalaya represents an extreme manifestation of an inherent anxiety shared across most of the Northeast. Similar troubles have erupted elsewhere in the region in the past and can spark again in the future if corrective measures remain wanting.

From this vantage, last December's agitation by the Naga Students' Federation against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), in coordination with the North East Students' Organisation, was driven by this same anxiety. The same can be said of the current agitation in Manipur demanding the preparation of a National Register of Citizens ahead of the national census exercise.

This wide opposition to CAA in the Northeast must, however, not be equated with the objections to it in other parts of the country. In the latter, the protest was against what was deemed discriminatory against Muslim immigrants who, unlike immigrants of other faiths, were not to be accorded a fast-track route to Indian citizenship. In the Northeast, the protest was against the provision for fast-track citizenship to any immigrant at all.

The Mizo Marriage and Inheritance of Property (Amendment) Bill, 2026 passed on February 24 this year by the state assembly is yet another symptom of this underlying insecurity. Under this law, Mizo women who marry non-Mizo men would lose their Mizo identity, and their children the Scheduled Tribe status.

In Assam, where assembly elections are less than a month away, the ruling BJP under Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has been trying to whip up this public anxiety, while also portraying it as solely the residue of Bangladeshi-Muslim illegal influx to give it a nationalistic air in the hope of reaping electoral gains.

Nari Rustomji, a civil servant at the time of India's independence who was intimately associated with the Northeast, has some valuable insights on this attribute of the region. In his book *Imperilled Frontiers: India's North-Eastern Borderlands*, he empathically watched the struggles of small indigenous groups negotiating the challenges of modernity and development, and observed that these changes must have to be regulated so that the pace of their march is not beyond the capacities of the demographically small communities to absorb without detriment to their social organisms.

Just as migration has been a human reality, integration of immigrants with host communities has been an organic part of social evolution. But the pace and size of population influx are also often what makes the difference between migration and colonisation.

India inherited a peculiar administrative cartography in the Northeast from the British. Considering social mobility is also a reality, communities in the Northeast too must be ready to leave behind the inherited pre-modern mindset as and when ready, and not begin to see the category as inherent right. A confluence of this readiness and Rustomji's caution probably is where all stakeholders can win together.

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GAZE OF MODERN-DAY TUGHLAQS

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SPEAKEASY

THE world's most significant democracies are competing in a game that looks absurd but reflects sound political expediency. The signals are fascinating. Republican Joseph Kent has resigned from the leadership of the US National Counterterrorism Center on the moral ground that Iran presented "no imminent threat" to America. Meanwhile, the US is all at sea in its Iran project because it underestimated the importance of the Strait of Hormuz, so it has permitted its gaze to wander to the Caribbean and alight on Cuba.

Meanwhile in India, Himalayan climate activist Sonam Wangchuk was released almost six months after his arrest, days before a crucial court hearing that could have determined the legality of preventive custody under draconian laws designed to combat terrorism but used routinely against activists, academics and other well-intentioned troublemakers.

There's been a steady stream of bailouts after years-long incarcerations in the Delhi riots and Bheema Koregaon cases. Long ago, the trail was blazed by Binayak Sen (now critically ill), who was arrested for sedition on the charge of bearing communications between Naxalites in 2007 and jailed repeatedly. The facts of these cases did not change between arrest and release. If the basis of the release was valid, then the basis of the arrest must be in question.

Every political case that has collapsed in court for want of evidence is questionable. Each served an obvious political purpose—by the time the detenus were released, the world had changed. The weaponisation of the law is a process. Its product is impunity.

Legal about-faces are attributed to the professional incompetence of the security agencies (in India) or the mental incompetence of the political leadership (in the US). But could they possibly be signs of canny competence instead? The whimsical pivot to Cuba and the steady release of Indian political prisoners both display arbitrariness. Arbitrariness powerfully demonstrates absolute authority, establishes that it is above the law, punishing and absolving at will without providing reason for changing its mind on a whim.

While mere mortals support the rule of law, maximum leaders reaffirm their authority by constant displays of arbitrary violence. Nothing new here. The difference is palpable in the 14th century *Rihla* of Ibn Battuta of Tangier, the restless and learned traveller who was simultaneously bribed and frightened into being the qazi of Delhi by Muhammad bin Tughlaq, the favourite mad sultan of history. Or was he extraordinarily intelligent?

The qazi followed the law and punished his servant in Delhi for a transgression. The servant, no less intelligent, noted that he had received more lashes than he deserved under Sharia law and gave the difference back to his master who, bound by the law, did not complain—except in his travelogue.

AFP

> The US's sudden pivot towards blockading Cuba and India's steady release of political detenus show arbitrariness that flows from absolute authority. The whimsy Muhammad bin Tughlaq displayed towards Ibn Battuta is not very different from what's happening today

The emperor was made of sterner stuff. He routinely conducted flamboyant executions and beatings in public in the fort of Tughlaqabad. Popular history denounces Tughlaq's ferocity as imperial madness, but its coercive power is abundantly clear in Ibn Battuta's account. He yearned to escape Delhi, but did not have the courage to bail out—not even when he was put on the sultan's hit list for associating with a sufi who was out of favour. This was a case of crime by association—exactly what Binayak Sen was accused of six centuries later.

The arbitrariness of rulers has secondary effects—apart from the fog of war, we now have the fog of peace. In a confused landscape, simultaneous suspension of belief and disbelief produces suspended animation—a paralysis of will, an inability to differentiate between truth and falsehood, right and wrong, facts and opinions. Decisions are permanently deferred and action is eternally tentative.

The dwindling of 20th-century institutions is thickening the fog—multilateral organisations in a rules-based global order, which was in turn based on the primacy of universal rights. The long slide of the United Nations, which began about 25 years ago, is finally complete—it has no influence over conflicts international or domestic. The mechanisms of the World Trade Organization, which had made arbitrary initiatives like tariff wars redundant, no longer work.

The US is presently considering taking umbrage about the manufacturing capacity of India, which is completely arbitrary, since no nation should have a say on the industries of another. The two pillars on which the modern world stood—international relations and trade—are now at the mercy of whim and whimsy. What remains intact, then?

Freedom of speech and fair elections? For decades, they served as the gold standards of civilisation. Using them, we can distinguish between North Korea and South Korea, Russia and America, Pakistan and India. But the sanctity of elections is now in doubt even in formerly bulletproof democracies like India and the US.

The media has lost its formalisms and firewalls, and fact, fiction, opinion, dream, nightmare, philosophy, conspiracy theory, pornography pandering to diverse senses flood us through the singular viewport of the smartphone screen. In this disorienting space without boundaries and moorings, is it surprising that arbitrariness flourishes, and produces impunity in the corridors of power, and a sense of impotence among common people?

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Parenting realities

Ref: *Adoption leave* (Mar 20). The ruling marks an important conceptual shift, from viewing maternity benefits as a function of childbirth to recognising them as support for caregiving. This distinction is not merely semantic; it aligns policy with the lived realities of adoption in India. It also raises a broader question: if caregiving—not childbirth—is the basis for parental support, should not our entire architecture evolve?
Sanjeev Jha, New Delhi

Vulnerable aged

Ref: *Global warming* (Mar 20). With the world's population greying faster, the stress global warming will have on health and social security is formidable. Countries should urgently work on climate adaptation and training care workers.
S M Visakh, Chennai

Bovine care

Ref: *Holier cow* (Mar 20). When politics milks sentiment while neglecting welfare, both animals and citizens are shortchanged. Granting cows symbolic motherhood may harvest applause, but it will not clean sheds, treat disease or feed abandoned cattle. Real reverence needs budgets, veterinary networks and farmer incentives.
K Chidanand Kumar, Bengaluru

Rigid system

Ref: *Measure impact to award PhD* (Mar 20). About 36 years ago, three scholars came to me for guidance. I was shocked to hear what made them avoid doctoral research. They had conducted research on an alternative fuel for rocket launch, yet repeated demonstrations needed financial assistance that they could not sustain. This is how creativity gets wiped out. Such rigidities in the Indian education system are heartbreaking.
P Prema, Thanjavur

True statesmanship

Ref: *Tharoor, Tewari back govt response* (Mar 20). Shashi Tharoor and Manish Tewari illustrated true statesmanship at critical times. Strategic efforts sometimes work in silent ways, so the opposition should avoid loud criticism and petty politicking.
Jitendranath Guru, Padampur

Legislators' standards

Ref: *31 Upper House MPs billionaires* (Mar 20). Being wealthy is not a crime, unless the assets are begotten by felony. However, MPs facing serious criminal charges like rape continuing to draft laws for the nation is indeed disgraceful to our democracy.
Cicily Thomas, Kochi

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Shashi Tharoor @ShashiTharoor
In a democracy, screening a film is a reflection of our society's freedom of expression and has nothing to do with government to government relations

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
In the BJP's brazen era of corruption, now even cameras are shown no regard—I've heard of under-the-table deals, but here they're taking money right over the table

Kiren Rijiju @KirenRijiju
With the trust of 694 banks, UPI is available not only in India but also in many countries around the world, achieving over 21 billion+ transactions by January 2026

Local aero engine testing to reduce foreign reliance

DRDO seeks industry interest to set up facility for simulated trials

JAVARIA RANA @ New Delhi

THE Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has issued a request for information (RFI) to industry for the establishment of the National Aero Engine Test Complex (NAETC). With this move, India is moving towards setting up its first fully integrated aero-engine test facility, which will end its long-standing dependence on foreign test beds for engine trials.

Sources said the facility is likely to come up either at Challakere in Karnataka or near Nagarjuna Sagar on the border of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. The RFI, floated by the DRDO's Gas Turbine Research Establishment (GTRE), seeks responses from domestic and global firms, including original equipment manufacturers, test facility integrators, and joint ventures, to establish the facility on a turnkey basis.

At present, India depends on overseas facilities, particularly in Russia, for high-altitude and performance testing, leading to cost escalations and delays in programmes, such as the Kaveri engine project.

According to the RFI, the facility will include a high-altitude engine test system with augmented air supply, along with heating and cooling systems to simulate operating conditions. It will also have dedicated rigs for fan, compressor, combustor, turbine, and afterburner testing, permitting both component-level trials and integrated engine evaluation.

Sources said global engine manufacturers are expected to play a key role in the broader ecosystem around indigenous engine development, with France's Safran likely to be a leading contender for future high-thrust engine programmes, including a possible partnership with the GTRE for a 110-120 kN class engine. Russian firms are also expected to be in the fray.

The RFI marks the first stage of the procurement process to assess capabilities, after which it will be taken up for Acceptance of Necessity by the Defence Acquisition Council.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at DRDO's GTRE Bengaluru last month | FILE PIC

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'Attack on civilian crew not acceptable'

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

EXPRESSING deep concern over the escalating conflict in West Asia, India has called for urgent de-escalation through dialogue, asserting that the navigational rights and freedom of merchant and commercial vessels must be upheld in line with international law.

Addressing the 36th Extraordinary Session of the IMO Council in London, India's High Commissioner to the UK, Vikram Doraiswami, said that the attacks on commercial shipping and risks to civilian crews are "unacceptable", particularly in critical waterways such as the Strait of Hormuz.

"India remains deeply concerned about the evolving situation and continues to call for de-escalation through dialogue and diplomacy, with utmost restraint and priority being given to the safety of civilians," Doraiswami said.

The two-day extraordinary session focused on the impact of the ongoing conflict in West Asia on shipping and seafarers, especially in the Arabian Sea, the Sea of Oman and the wider Gulf region. The discussions come amid heightened tensions linked to the US-Israel conflict with Iran, which has raised alarm over maritime security and energy supply chains.

Doraiswami underscored that "targeting of commercial shipping and attacks on civilian maritime infrastructure are unacceptable", adding that such incidents have already resulted in "loss of innocent lives, injuries and heightened risks, including to seafarers."

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Vikram Doraiswami, High Commissioner to the UK

Highlighting India's direct stake in the region, the envoy said that 24 Indian-flagged vessels are currently operating in the Persian Gulf, with over 650 Indian seafarers onboard.

"We remain deeply concerned about the safety and welfare of all seafarers. An estimated 23,000 Indian seafarers have been impacted by the current crisis," he said.

Doraiswami then informed the Council that of the seven fatalities reported in recent incidents, three were Indian nationals, while four others have been injured, and one remains missing.

He stressed that safeguarding maritime security is critical not only for seafarers but also for global stability. "The safety and welfare of seafarers, the security of international shipping, energy supply chains that sustain nations, and humanitarian supply chains must remain paramount," he said.

Explaining India's response, Doraiswami pointed to "robust mechanisms", including a 24/7 helpline for seafarers of all nationalities; a quick-response team led by the Directorate General of Shipping; and a dedicated control room set up by the Ministry of External Affairs to assist affected personnel and their families. India has also stepped up maritime monitoring and preparedness, with enhanced information-sharing systems. Doraiswami flagged the "grave risk" of marine pollution arising from attacks on vessels and called for stronger international coordination.

In this context, he highlighted the role of the Information Fusion Centre – Indian Ocean Region, established in 2018 and hosted by the Indian Navy, suggesting its integration into broader IMO-led maritime safety frameworks to improve real-time information sharing and crisis response.

Modi, Bahrain King discuss West Asia crisis

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday held a telephonic conversation with Bahrain's King Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa, focusing on the escalating conflict in West Asia and strongly condemning attacks on civilian and energy infrastructure.

In a statement posted on X, Modi described the exchange as a "fruitful discussion" on the evolving regional situation, underlining the wider global implications of the conflict. He cautioned that continued strikes on critical infrastructure could disrupt essential supply chains. "We condemned attacks on energy and civilian infrastructure, noting their adverse impact on global food, fuel and fertiliser security," the Prime Minister said.

The Prime Minister also stressed the importance of safeguarding maritime stability in a region vital to global trade. He highlighted the need to ensure "freedom of navigation and secure shipping routes" amid rising tensions, a concern shared by several countries dependent on Gulf energy flows.

Chouhan takes stock of Rabi crop production

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

UNION Rural Development Minister, Shivraj Singh Chouhan, on Friday conducted a high-level, comprehensive review of the overall condition of the agriculture sector, especially focused on the potential losses suffered by farmers in several states due to recent incidents of excessive rainfall, heavy showers, hailstorms, and other adverse weather conditions.

The meeting held at Krishi Bhavan in New Delhi, has focused extensively on the immediate needs of farmers, the process of insurance claims, and the functioning of relief mechanisms.

"Government's focus is not limited to production alone, but also extends to the scientific assessment of crop damage, proper settlement of insurance claims, and timely assistance to farmers," said Chouhan who convened the meeting after weather uncertainty and risk of crop damage.

Stating the objective of the high-level meeting, Chouhan highlighted that the government will support farmers. During the meeting, special emphasis was given to the scientific assessment of crop loss and insurance claims. Besides, adverse weather, weather forecasts, and risk management were also discussed.

"To ensure country's farmers that government's policy measures, relief mechanisms, and the outreach of various schemes of the central government are coordinated effectively at all levels so that farmers receive timely and adequate support", said Chouhan.

He stressed that crop-cutting experiments should be conducted promptly, that losses must be assessed scientifically, and that immediate relief should be provided without delay.

After instructing all officials to establish immediate communication and coordination with state governments, he said that in areas affected by heavy rainfall, hailstorms, or other adverse weather conditions, time-bound action at the field level is essential so that no farmer is forced to wait for relief.

The meeting included a detailed review of weather forecasts and crop conditions so that preparations can be in line with potential weather-related risks in the coming days.

During the high-level review meeting, Chouhan also reviewed the progress of the Pulses Self-Reliance Mission. He emphasised the need to expand production, increase the area under cultivation, and strengthen MSP-based procurement mechanisms for key pulses such as tur, urad, and masur.

"Farmers can sell as much tur, masur, and urad as they wish, and we will procure it," he said. He clarified that procurement of pulses will be carried out not only by state governments but also by agencies such as the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED) and the National Cooperative Consumers' Federation (NCCF) at the Minimum Support Price (MSP).

He stated that the objective of the mission is to make the country self-reliant in pulses production, reduce dependence on imports, and increase farmers' incomes. He added that concrete action plans are being prepared at the ground level to achieve these goals.

Chouhan also reviewed preparations for the upcoming Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan, which will be implemented at the national level to provide farmers with scientific advice, technologies, and region-specific agricultural guidance.

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REVIEW MEET

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Man told to contribute to household chores, can't treat his wife as maid

UDAYAN KISHORE @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Friday said a husband must contribute to the household chores like cooking and not treat wife as a maid. The observations came from a bench of Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta which was hearing a petition filed by a man challenging an order of the Karnataka High Court. The high court had set aside a trial court order granting divorce to the man on grounds of cruelty.

"You're not marrying a maid, you're marrying a life partner. You have to contribute to the cooking, washing, etc. Today's times are different," Justice Mehta said and directed the couple to appear before the court in person on the next date of hearing. The court had earlier referred the parties for mediation, which had failed.

According to the petition, the couple got married in 2017 and has an 8-year-old child. The husband was a government school teacher and the wife was a college lecturer.

The apex court bench also noted during the hearing that the wife was better placed than the husband, and had not demanded any maintenance/alimony from him so far. During the hearing before the apex court, the counsel appearing for the man said the mediation between the parties had failed. He said the marriage between the parties took place in May 2017 and since 2019, the couple is separated.

The husband had filed the divorce petition, alleging that a week after marriage, wife's attitude changed and she started mistreating him. He claimed that she used "filthy language" against him and his parents, refused to cook food for them and did not invite him to the cradle ceremony of their child.

Refuting the allegations, the wife claimed that she went to her parents' house with their consent for the birth of the child, but they did not attend the cradle ceremony. She alleged that her in-laws demanded cash and gold from her parents.

The Supreme Court posted the matter for further hearing on April 27 and asked both the parties to remain present before it. "Call both parties physically. We would like to speak to them," the bench said.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

Relief to filmmaker in copyright case

In a relief to filmmaker Sujoy Ghosh, the Supreme Court on Friday quashed the proceedings in a case alleging copyright infringement against him over his movie "Kahaani 2", which was released in December 2016. An SC bench said the proceedings instituted were "manifestly frivolous and vexatious".

Cabs must have assistive devices: SC

The Supreme Court on Friday emphasised the need to find ways to assist people with disabilities, and suggested that cab services should be equipped to accommodate other assistive devices for them. The observations came from a bench which was hearing a plea on connectivity for people with disabilities.

New way for people and new look for staff at New Delhi Railway Station

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

A regular day at New Delhi Railway Station may soon look and feel different. The crowds will still be there, but the way people move through the station is expected to become more organised in the near future.

At the entrance, passengers will likely scan QR codes before stepping in. he system will be introduced on a trial basis to improve how people enter the station. Passengers with reserved tickets, monthly passes, and unreserved tickets will be guided through separate entry points, so movement is more organised and crowding at gates is reduced. The aim is to make entry smoother, especially during peak hours. It will be tested during the heavy festive rush of Diwali and Chhath Puja, when the station handles its highest passenger volume.

The plan comes after a review meeting led by Union Minister for Railways Ashwini Vaishnaw, with a focus on improving safety and better crowd management. The need for these changes became clear after serious overcrowding in the past, including the 2025 stampede at the station during the festive rush, which led to several deaths and exposed problems in crowd control.

Inside the station, staff will be easier to recognise. Railway employees are set to wear fluorescent jackets, while vendors, porters, and IRCTC personnel will wear colour-coded uniforms. Each will carry an ID card, making it simpler for passengers to know who to approach for help.

Security is also expected to get a boost. A network of cameras will be installed across platforms, entry and exit gates, and other busy areas. These cameras will be linked to a control room, where alerts can be generated in real time if something unusual is detected, allowing staff on duty to respond more quickly.

Beyond the platforms, the experience outside the station is also set to improve. Through the RailOne app, passengers can access services linked to Bharat Taxi, helping them find reliable transport without the usual confusion. The integration is being developed with support from RailTel.

These measures will first be introduced in New Delhi as a model. If successful, similar systems are expected to be rolled out across other stations.

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Drive to enrol out-of-school, dropout children

S LALITHA @ New Delhi

THE Department of School Education and Literacy under the Union Ministry of Education is set to launch a nationwide drive to identify and enrol out-of-school and dropout children, as it gears up to achieve a target of 100 per cent Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) by 2030. The focus of this drive will be to get the children on board via the Open Schooling system.

The Ministry of Education said that the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, has set a target of achieving 100 per cent GER from pre-school to secondary level by 2030. However, according to the annual report of the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), 2023–24, nearly two crore children aged 14–18 years are not attending school, while around 11 per cent of children in Grades III to VIII remain out of school. Over 50 lakh students fail board examinations each year.

"Open schooling offers a practical alternative for children unable to attend regular schools due to economic, social, or geographical constraints," the ministry added.

EVERY CHILD IN SCHOOL

2030 is the target year for completing **100%** enrollment of dropout children in schooling

2 crore Approximate number of children aged **14–18** who are out of school

50 lakh Approximate number of children who fail board exams every year

All out of school children to be admitted in open schooling system

Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Vidyalayas, and government senior secondary schools to be turned into NIOS study centres

Tech-enabled 'NIOS Mitra' to be launched to mobilise communities and facilitate enrollment

The ministry has decided to engage states for achieving the goal. "Officials from the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) will engage with states and Union territories to strengthen institutional collaboration and advance the cause of dropout children through a reliable and credible open schooling framework across the country," the ministry said. The NIOS is an autonomous body under the ministry and the largest open school board in the world.

Ministry officials say that the data drawn from district-level surveys of states and Union territories will be used by the NIOS in identifying and contacting out-of-school or dropout children for the upcoming enrolment drives.

The ministry has proposed that designated PM SHRI schools, including Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas, as well as government senior secondary schools will be turned into NIOS study and examination centres. State open school boards will be encouraged to use government schools and recognised examination centres for NIOS exams.

The ministry proposes to use the NIOS Mitra programme in this connection. It is a structured and technology-enabled outreach initiative designed to mobilise communities and facilitate enrollment. Trained facilitators will identify and counsel out-of-school children, support their enrolment, and provide academic guidance with special focus offered to marginalised, tribal, migrant, minority and economically disadvantaged groups.

The ministry said that with more than 10,800 study and examination centres across states and Union territories. The ministry plans to establish at least one NIOS study and examination centre in every block in coordination with the state or Union territory.

The ministry added that the system offers flexible admissions, multiple opportunities to clear examinations, an on-demand examination system, vocational and skill-based courses aligned with employability, inclusive provisions for physically challenged learners, and certification that is recognised on par with other national and state boards.

STUDENT DEATH

A 22-year-old undergraduate student was shot dead on the campus of Udai Pratap College in Uttar Pradesh on Friday afternoon, following an alleged dispute with another student, police said.

3 HELD FOR DIGITAL FRAUD IN J'KHAND'S HAZARIBAG

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	35	22	Mumbai	31	26
Bhopal	35	20	Panaji	32	25
Jaipur	34	19	Patna	32	23
Amritsar	29	16	Lucknow	34	21
Chennai	34	26	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	33	25	Imphal	23	15
Srinagar	07	-1	Chandigarh	30	17

Unveils welfare-heavy TMC manifesto focussing on pucca house and healthcare at doorstep ● BJP fielded 7 minority candidates in 2021 polls

Mamata livid on voter 'targeting'

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

PROMISING to protect people's welfare and position Bengal as an economic hub in the Trinamool Congress election manifesto, party supremo and Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Friday escalated her attack on the BJP and the Election Commission of India (ECI) over the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise, alleging that voter deletions were targetting "particularly one community". She claimed that a "declared President's Rule" was effectively being imposed in the state through the BJP's actions.

Banerjee, alongside Abhishek Banerjee, the party's national general secretary, said, "The supplementary SIR list of voters marked as 'under adjudication' has not yet been published today. I know that so far, 22 lakh out of 60 lakh adjudicated cases have been disposed of in the state. Ten lakh voters out of these 22 lakh have been rejected. They are mostly from Malda, Murshidabad, and North Dinajpur districts." These districts are minority-dominated with solid vote banks for the Trinamool.

"This is being done targeting particularly one community. Names of Hindu voters and the Matua community have also been deleted during the SIR process. Words like 'logical discrepancy' have no meaning, I think," she said.

"We have no words to condemn them and have gone everywhere—from the roads to the courts—to fight against the SIR process. First, they deleted 58 lakh voters and then another 60 lakh. It takes 15 to 20 days to dispose of 22 lakh cases out of the 60 lakh. Will it be possible to resolve the remaining issues within this period before the elections? They (BJP) had announced from their party office that more than one crore voters would be removed from the list," she said.

"They have many plans. Modi and Amit Shah are threatening people over phone calls and sending their selected election observers to Bengal," she alleged, adding, "Ten lakh jawans will come for elections. Where do we accommodate them, and who will cover their hotel expenses? Who will arrange their meals? How can we arrange LPG cylinders for them amid an acute cooking gas crisis? A huge number of policemen will have to be engaged for them. They will stop feeding the people of Bengal."

The chief minister continued to slam the BJP, claiming, "The EC is not outside the BJP government at the Centre. The EC is their parrot. Bengal is their target. They don't want Bengal to exist."

On the current SIR procedures adopted, she said, "Every time the observers ask, we comply. This time, the elections are in this state. Do people from other states know Bengal? They don't know the people here, the culture, the harmony, the booths, the subdivisions, or the festivals. Who will oversee all this? If anything happens after this, the BJP government will be responsible. The Commission is the BJP's parrot." She added, "Officers from outside do not know Bengal. They do not know the districts, the subdivisions, the people, the language, or the syncretic culture where all festivals are celebrated."

In the party manifesto, Banerjee announced 10 election promises while targeting a fourth term in the upcoming April Assembly polls, focusing on welfare expansion, including a ₹500 increase in women's monthly aid to ₹1,500–₹1,700, along with support for youth unemployment.

The manifesto outlined plans for agriculture with a ₹30,000 crore budget, universal pucca housing and piped water, annual doorstep health camps, school upgrades, trade infrastructure, sustained pensions, and the creation of seven new districts—forming her governance blueprint.

She also promised to launch "Duare Chikitsa" (doorstep medical camps), stating, "We will start it in every booth; we will organise 'Duare Chikitsa' camps." Additionally, she said thousands of schools would be modernised with e-learning facilities, and the government would create seven to eight new districts and municipalities.

"I will work to make Bengal the gateway of trade for Eastern India, with world-class logistics, ports, trade infrastructure, and a state-of-the-art Global Trade Centre," Mamata said.

Mamata Banerjee and TMC general secretary Abhishek Banerjee with manifesto | ANI

TMC MOVES HC OVER OFFICIALS' TRANSFER

The Trinamool on Friday moved Calcutta High Court challenging the Election Commission for transferring several IAS and IPS officers. In the HC, TMC MP Kalyan Banerjee raised questions over the poll panel's orders transferring bureaucrats, including the state chief secretary, home secretary and others, and IPS officers like DGP and Kolkata police commissioner. The petitioner named the CEC a party respondent.

NDA strategy split: AGP fields 50% Muslims, but BJP stays away in Assam

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

A party born out of the six-year-long "anti-immigrants" agitation has fielded half its candidates from the Bengali-speaking Muslim community for the April 9 Assam elections.

The Asom Gana Parishad (AGP) on Thursday night announced the names of its 26 candidates after several weeks of negotiations with its ally, the BJP, over a seat-sharing deal.

The list, however, raised eyebrows, as 13 of the candidates, or 50%, are Bengali-speaking Muslims. Social media is abuzz with reactions, with users saying the list closely resembles that of the minority-focused party, the All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF).

Of the AIUDF's 27 candidates named so far, 24 are Muslims. The AGP's 13 Muslim candidates rank third among parties. The Congress has fielded 20 Muslims. The AIUDF holds sway in minority-majority seats across Lower, Central, Upper, and Southern Assam.

The AGP has not yet clarified whether it differentiates between Bengali-speaking Muslims and the so-called Bangladeshis. Currently led by Minister Atul Bora, the AGP was born in Upper Assam's Golaghat in 1985 at the end of the Assam Agitation. It rose to power the same year, riding anti-Bangladeshi sentiment, and ruled the state for a second term before being ousted.

Upper Assam, which has 27 seats, is the Assamese heartland, but ironically, the AGP has fielded just two candidates from the region, with BJP contesting the remaining seats.

According to observers, the AGP should have bargained harder with the BJP in the interest of Assamese "nationalism". They slammed the party for its "meek surrender" to the BJP.

In contrast, the BJP has not fielded a single Muslim this time. Seven members of the community had contested on the party's tickets in 2021.

The Bengali-speaking Muslims, known by the pejorative term "Miyas," have been under constant attack from CM Himanta Biswa Sarma, who had said they would continue to face trouble as long as he remained in power.

> **The AGP should have bargained harder with BJP in the interest of Assamese 'nationalism'. It should not surrender meekly to BJP** Political analyst

No clarity on AGP stand

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'One-sided contest'

CM Himanta Biswa Sarma, who filed his papers on Friday, insists that Assam elections could be a one-sided contest, but opponents frame it as a fight for change.

Roadshows and rhetoric mark day one of nomination in Assam

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

A show of strength, a touch of family optics, and a confident pitch to voters marked the start of nomination filings in Assam on Friday, setting the tone for what CM Himanta Biswa Sarma insists could be a one-sided contest—even as opponents frame it as a fight for change.

A large number of BJP workers joined a roadshow for Sarma as he went to file his nomination at the office of the Kamrup (Metro) District Commissioner in Guwahati. His wife, Riniki Bhuyan Sarma, his son, Nandil Biswa Sarma, and Guwahati MP Bijuli Kalita Medhi accompanied him.

After filing nomination from his pet Jalukbari seat in Guwahati, Sarma exuded confidence about the NDA's victory. "I think it will not be a tough election this time. We will sail through," he told media persons optimistically, even as he appealed to the people to bless the BJP-led NDA.

He first contested from Jalukbari in 1996 and lost to the AGP's Bhrigu Kumar Phukan. His first electoral victory came in 2001.

"Jalukbari has undergone changes following delimitation, but I am confident that I will get the love and blessings of people," Sarma said.

Pramod Boro, president of United People's Party Liberal (UPPL), and Raijor Dal chief Akhil Gogoi also filed their nominations. Boro filed his nomination in Tamulpur, from where he is contesting. This is the first time that he is contesting an Assembly poll.

"We have not promised any alliance or friendship with any party or formation," he told media persons. He was recently elected to the Rajya Sabha, and a few days later, the UPPL walked out of the NDA.

Gogoi filed his nomination from Sivasagar, accompanied by APCC chief Gaurav Gogoi. "We have to build a new, greater Assam by removing Himanta from the CM's chair," he said.

U'KHAND

Dhami inducts 5 into his cabinet to strike region, caste balance ahead of poll

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

UTTARAKHAND Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on Friday inducted five new ministers into his cabinet in an expansion aimed at striking a balance between regional aspirations and caste dynamics ahead of 2027 Assembly elections. The newly sworn-in ministers are Madan Kaushik (Haridwar), Bharat Chaudhary (Rudraprayag), Pradeep Batra (Roorkee), Khajan Dass (Rajpur), and Ram Singh Kaida (Bhimtal).

Observers say the move signals the government's shift into a poll mode. "The expansion should have happened much earlier to address the governance vacuum, as the new ministers now have a narrow window of 8-10 months to deliver tangible results to secure a mandate for 2027," political analyst Avikal Thapliyal said. The selection of ministers reflects a calculated effort to cater to diverse social segments. "The inclusion of Ram Singh Kaida, a legislator from Bhimtal in Nainital, is interpreted as a bid to strengthen the BJP's standing in Kumaon region while reaching out to the OBC vote bank," added Thapliyal.

The appointment of Chaudhary from Rudraprayag is seen as a move to consolidate influence in Garhwal region. Analyst Jai Singh Rawat said, "Bharat Chaudhary belongs to the Rajput community, a significant political demographic. By elevating him to the cabinet, the government is signalling that it is addressing development and employment concerns in the hill regions, ensuring that the voice of the mountains is adequately represented in the corridors of power."

The inclusion of Batra, a key figure from Roorkee, is seen as an attempt to consolidate support among the Punjabi community, which exerts significant influence in Haridwar and Udham Singh Nagar.

Kaushik's return to the cabinet is perceived as a move to secure the support of the Brahmins, given his experience in ministerial roles. The elevation of Khajan Dass from Rajpur underscores the party's focus on social inclusion, as he represents the SC community, holding influence in the Dehradun region.

UPSC returns Yogi proposal for DGP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has returned the Uttar Pradesh government's proposal for appointing a permanent DGP raising objections and asked it to submit a fresh one in three months.

According sources, the commission asked the state authorities to prepare a fresh proposal in line with 2025 guidelines and Supreme Court rulings. "The proposal, sent by Chief Secretary SP Goyal for appointing a permanent DGP, was returned by UPSC due to technical discrepancies, including submission in an outdated format rather than the one mandated by the commission," a source said.

In the earlier proposal, acting DGP Rajeev Krishna, who replaced Prashant Kumar on May 31, 2025, was expected to be appointed as the permanent DGP. Krishna is the fifth consecutive acting DGP in UP.

Senior IPS officer Renuka Mishra has been excluded from the DGP race as the state government held her responsible for lapses linked to the 2024 police recruitment paper leak in 2024. The state government also excluded Alok Sharma, a 1991 batch officer currently serving in the Special Protection Group on central deputation.

Sources indicate that February 5 was treated as the official vacancy date for the DGP post, following a directive from the Supreme Court to appoint a permanent DGP. As per UPSC norms, only those officers who have at least six months of service remaining are eligible. Sharma's tenure falls short of this eligibility condition.

The panel sent to the UPSC includes Piyush Anand on top of the list, Rajiv Krishna (second) and PC Meena (third). The list also included Ashuosh Pandey and Anand Swaroop of 1992 batch; Sanjay Singhal, SB Shiradkar, Zaki Ahmed, KS Pratap Kumar, Rajiv Sabharwal and Vitul Kumar of 1993 batch; and BK Singh, Akhil Kumar, Raja Srivastava, DK Thakur, Sujit Pandey, Prakash D and Jai Narayan Singh of 1994 batch.

Stuck in hospital lift, man dies of cardiac arrest

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

A private firm employee died of cardiac arrest after allegedly being stuck in a lift for around one hour at the state-run R G Kar Medical College and Hospital in Kolkata, on Friday. The incident triggered protests by patients and their relatives against negligence of authorities for improper maintenance of infrastructure at the hospital.

According to sources, Arup Bandyopadhyay, along with his wife and son, had come to the trauma care unit. His son had suffered a leg fracture. Sources said that the lift started to malfunction but there was no liftman around to fix it. Bandopadhyay was unable to breathe in the closed-door lift, and eventually suffered a cardiac arrest.

The principal of the college, wasn't available for responses.

Rifles to running shoes: A 42-km Bastar marathon

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

ON March 22, the 'Bastar Heritage Marathon 2026' will unfold not merely as an athletic competition but as a living manifesto of transformation. Among the professional runners and local enthusiasts, around 200 participants stand out—men and women who were once Maoist insurgents but who have now traded the darkness of the forest for the sunlight of the social mainstream.

The marathon begins at the historic Lal Bagh Ground in Jagdalpur (south Chhattisgarh) and stretches 42 kilometres to the mist-covered banks of the Chitrakote Falls, often cited as the "Niagara of India".

'Bastar Heritage Marathon' will bring together runners from across the country, offering not only a test of endurance but also a rare immersion into one of most culturally rich and ecologically diverse regions.

> **To ensure the spirit of the race reaches every corner of the community, the administration has announced a ₹25 lakh prize pool, with special incentives for runners from the Bastar division. The race is designed to be entirely inclusive, featuring a Half Marathon, a 10 km dash, and a 5 km "Fun Run", with registration fees waived for locals** —An official

The route showcases the region's breathtaking biodiversity and vibrant tribal culture. Guided by the state's rehabilitation programmes—Lone Varratu (Return Home) and Poona Margom (New Path)—these former Maoist rebels are undergoing a profound "rebirth".

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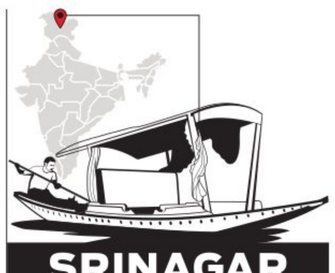
The atmosphere at the local training camps is filled with the grit of athletes who are learning modern running techniques to refine the raw endurance they developed over years in the wild. For many, this is more than a physical challenge and no less than an emotional homecoming.

By pacing themselves alongside students, police officers, and professional athletes from all seven districts of the division—Sukma, Narayanpur, Bijapur, Dantewada, Bastar, Kanker, and Kondagaon—these former cadres are physically collapsing the walls of "Us vs. Them".

The 'Bastar Heritage Marathon' serves a dual purpose. While it positions the region as a premier destination for ecotourism and adventure, it more importantly signals the triumph of peace over violence.



SRINAGAR DIARY

FAYAZ WANI
Our correspondent in Jammu and Kashmir
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Winter makes a comeback in Kashmir

After unusually warm February and early March that led to early arrival of spring, a winter-like condition has made a comeback in Kashmir, with upper reaches receiving snowfall and the day temperature staying many degrees below normal. The day temperature in Srinagar and other parts of the Valley have fallen 7-9 degrees Celsius below normal. This shift marks a stark contrast to the Valley's recent weather trend, with February and March witnessing unprecedented warmth, leading to early blooming of almond blossoms and tulips. The Badamwari and Tulip Garden in Srinagar have been thrown open ahead of schedule, signalling an early spring.

Int'l cyber fraud racket busted by J&K police

The Counter Intelligence Kashmir (CIK) of J&K Police has busted a covert cyber fraud operation in Srinagar by arresting seven suspects and seizing a large cache of digital equipment. Acting on technical inputs about fraudulent call centres targeting foreign and local nationals, CIK formed special teams and conducted surveillance, leading to identification of a key hub in Rangreth. CIK officials recovered 13 mobile phones, nine laptops, VoIP systems, SIM cards and other digital storage devices. Investigators said the accused were part of a sophisticated cybercrime syndicate with links beyond J&K and targeting victims in the US, UK and Canada.

Registration of pet dogs a must in Jammu city

The Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) has issued an advisory mandating registration of pet dogs in Jammu in line with Animal Birth Control (Dog) Rules, 2023, and the Municipal Corporation Act, 2000. The owners of pet dogs have also been asked to follow sanitation and public safety norms. As per the guidelines, pet dogs must not roam freely in public places and should always be on a leash, while aggressive breeds must be muzzled outdoors. The advisory states that owners must provide proper shelter, food and medical care to the dogs. A valid anti-rabies vaccination certificate is mandatory for this type of registration.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client Smt. Bindu W/o. R. Rajappa #11/1 Skanda Nilaya, Gramadevatha Street, Near Lalbhag West Gate, Upparalli Bangalore South 560004.

My client is the absolute owner in possession of the f the property bearing New BBMP No.12, old property No.31/12 and 31, PID No. 61-31-12, in all totally measuring 2659 sq feet, in BBMP records 1500 Sq feet., Situated at Upparahalli Road, Grama Devatha Street, Mavalli, Bangalore. Presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP ward No.61 and bounded on :-

East By : Common Passage and House No.13 belongs to kallappa,
West By : House No.11 belongs to Vijay Kumar
North By : Stair Case, Bore well and Master. Siddartha's 11/1 property
South By : Road

My client has lost the Original property documents i.e. Registered Sale Deed bearing BSG-1-2294/2004-05 dated 17.07.2004, registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar Basavangudi Bangalore.

The said property is in possession of Smt. Bindu W/o.R.Rajappa since 30.11.2012 She is the absolute owner and free from all encumbrance whatsoever.

My Client had lost the above mentioned Sale deed Inspite of several efforts the Original deed is not found and she has lodged the police complaint through online dated 20.03.2026, Lost report No. 2117567/2026.

If any person found or anyone having any claim or interest over the said property, he/she is requested to forward their claims along with the relevant documents to us within 07 days of this public notice. If we do not receive any claim from any person within 07 days, it will be strictly presumed that this property is absolutely free from any claim or encumbrance and no one has any claim over this property and if any One found the above deed kindly contact below mentioned

PREMA B DUBAE - ADVOCATE
FFD VI, 4th Floor Sampoorna Chambers, Vasavi Temple Road, V.V. Puram, Bengluru-560004.
080-42053588 / 080-42296969

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

Our clients are intending to purchase the property bearing No. 4, situated at Kabir Ashram Road, 1st Main Road, PID No. 97-40-4, New EPID No. 4993428604, BBMP ward No. 46-Jayachamarajendra nagar, Bengaluru - 560032, which is morefully described in the schedule herein under from Mr. Ravi Kant Chauhan S/o Raj Kumar, residing at No. 72, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, Nandi Durga Road, Jayamahal Extension, Jayamahal, Benson Town, Bengaluru-560046, for valuable consideration, the schedule property was purchased by his wife Varsha S. Patil and she expired on 27-3-2024 leaving behind Mr. Ravi Kant Chauhan as her legal heir to succeed the said property, thereafter Ravi Kant Chauhan got transfer the khata in the mutation register of BBMP into his name and paid taxes to BBMP as lawful owner of the schedule property.

If any person/persons have any claims or any kind of legal objection for the said transaction, they may file written objection with necessary documents of their claim, within 10 days from the date of this publication to the undersigned.

If no legal objections are received within the period, thereafter our clients will proceed with the registration of proper document of purchase from the Mr. Ravi Kant Chauhan in legal manner and thereafter no claim will be entertained in any matter whatsoever.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 4, situated at Mattadahalli, Kabir Ashram Road, 1st Main Road, PID No. 97-40-4, New EPID No. 4993428604, BBMP ward No. 46-Jayachamarajendranagar, Bengaluru - 560032, which measures east to west and north to south, 15.24 X 4.57 Mtrs or 50' X 15 feet, totally measuring 750 Sq. Ft or 69.68 Sq. Mtrs, having built up area of 1500 Sq. Ft or 139.35456 Sq. Mtrs and bounded on :- **East by :** Road; **West by :** Conservancy Lane; **North by :** Majest No. 3 Private property; **South by :** Old Site No. 2.

RIYAZ AHMED SHERIFF, LLM
T.C. SHIVA PRASAD, LLB
SYED SHAHQIL SHAD, L.L.M
Advocates and solicitors
Chamber No. 10/1, 1st Floor,
Lalbagh Fort Road, Basappa Circle
Kalasipalyam, Bangalore - 560 002.
Date : 20.03.2026

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II FOR KARNATAKA, AT BANGALORE
BSNL BUILDING, 4th FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJBHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU - 560001

O.A No. 2559/2024

BETWEEN : M/s. BANK OF BARODA Oxford school Branch. **...APPLICANT**
AND : M/s. N G Cotton Enterprises & Botique & Others **...DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No. 1 & 2 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION ISSUED UNDER RULE-23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL(PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

DEFENDANT NO.1: M/S. N G COTTON ENTERPRISES & BOTIQUE Rptd by Prop : Mr. A M Narasimhe Gowda No.56/A, 3rd Cross, 24th Mainroad, Near Shanthi Sagar Hotel, J P Nagar, 2nd Phase, BENGALURU -560078

DEFENDANT NO.2 : A M Narasimhegowda No.18, 3rd Floor, 5th Cross, Venkatareddy Nagar, Raghavendra Colony, Jayanagar Block-II Post. BENGALURU - 560070

WHEREAS the above-named Applicant has instituted the application U/S 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against the defendants for recovery of a sum of Rs.26,96,504.78 (Rupees Twenty six lakhs Ninety six thousand Five hundred four and seventy eight paise only) as on 17.08.2024, together with further cost and interest. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the service of the summons or on **29/4/2026 at 10:30 A.M.** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that, in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the 17th day of December 2025 at Bengaluru.

(REGISTRAR)
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II for Karnataka
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru -560001

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II FOR KARNATAKA, AT BANGALORE
BSNL BUILDING, 4th FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJBHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU - 560001

O.A No. 1064/2025

BETWEEN : M/s. BANK OF BARODA Banner ghatta Main Branch. **...APPLICANT**
AND : M/S. KABBALAMMA TEXTILES & Others **...DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No. 1 & 2 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION ISSUED UNDER RULE-23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL(PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

DEFENDANT NO.1: M/S. KABBALAMMA TEXTILES Rptd by Prop: Mr. Dinesh T C No.1/802, 12th Cross, Weavers Colony, Bannerghatta Road, Billaganahalli, BENGALURU -560083

DEFENDANT NO.2 : Mr. DINESH T C No.195, 12th Cross, Weavers Colony, Bannerghatta Road, Billaganahalli, BENGALURU -560083

WHEREAS the above-named Applicant has instituted the application U/S 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against the defendants for recovery of a sum of Rs.23,34,863.90 (Rupees Twenty Three lakhs Thirty four thousand Eight hundred Sixty three and ninety paise only) as on 20.01.2025, together with further cost and interest. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the service of the summons or on **26/5/2026 at 10:30 A.M.** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that, in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the 22nd day of January 2026 at Bengaluru.

(REGISTRAR)
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II for Karnataka
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru -560001

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Mandya Branch
#1689, 1st floor, 100 feet road, (Double road), Vidya nagar, Mandya-571401
Email: mandya@canfinhomes.com
Tel: 08232-222454, Mob: + 91 - 7625079175
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

[proviso to rule 9(1)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., MandyaBranch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **10-04-2026**, for recovery of **Rs. 53,33,000/-(Rupees Fifty Three Lakh Thirty-Three Thousand only)** due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. Sampath Kumar BR** S/o Ramegowda & Lt. Vimala(Co-applicant)and **Mr. Sunil B** S/o Boregowda (Guarantor) and all other legal heirs of Lt Vimala, as on **20-03-2026**, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.60,53,000/-(Rupees Sixty lakh Fifty Three Thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.6,05,300/-(Rupees Six lakh Five thousand Three Hundred only)**.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property situated at Panchayath Khatha No.57, E Property No.152900102100100082, Belekere Village, Malur Hobli, ChannapatnaTq ,Ramanagar District with site dimension of East to West :21.3360 meters and North to South:17.6784 meters Totally 377.19 Sq meters & Boundaries of the property is: East by : Late Thammaiah's Property, West by : Property of Jayalakshmamma, North by : Property of Balaramegowda,South by : Property of Siddaiah

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.auctionbazaar.com

Date: 20.03.2026
Place : Mandya

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
MR. RENOLD JOSEPH GEORGE MS. MARY AUGASTINE LOURDE Loan A/c No. 411800004926 Symbolic Possession Date : 18/03/2026	03/11/2025	Rs. 2234639.00	SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY : (Description of the entire property) : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Katha No.26/2, situated at Kembhathaalli Village, Utatrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP Anjanapur Ward No.196, Bangalore City now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Maha Nagar Palike, Bangalore, measuring in all 27,240 Sq. Feet and bounded on the: East by: Private Property West by: land belonged to M/s. Narya Construction Pvt. Ltd., in same Sy.No.26/2, North by: Road, South by: Road. SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : (Description of the UDS agreed to be sold) : 647 sq. Ft., of undivided share in the Schedule 'A' Property. SCHEDULE C PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Flat bearing No.A-102, Block – A, in First Floor, 3 BHK with Carpet Area of 1024 sq. Feet as per RERA of 1425 Sq. Feet in the building known as 'SRI VANI ORCHIDS' along with One covered Car Parking space in the stilt Floor of the building, constructed over the property bearing Katha No.26/2, situated at Kembhathaalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP Anjanapura Ward No. 196, Bangalore City now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Bangalore, measuring in all 27,.240.09 Sq. Feet along with right to use common passage, common areas such as staircase, lobbies, lifts and other common areas. The building is of RCC roofing Vitrified Flooring, Honne and Jungle Wood is used for Doors and Windows with Electricity, Water and sanitary connections.
MR. RENOLD JOSEPH GEORGEMS. MARY AUGASTINE LOURDE Loan A/c No. 411800004927 Symbolic Possession Date : 18/03/2026	03/11/2025	Rs. 2327539.00	SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY : (Description of the entire property) : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Katha No.26/2, situated at Kembhathaalli Village, Utatrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP Anjanapur Ward No.196, Bangalore City now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Maha Nagar Palike, Bangalore, measuring in all 27,240 Sq. Feet and bounded on the: East by: Private Property West by: land belonged to M/s. Narya Construction Pvt. Ltd., in same Sy. No.26/2, North by: Road, South by: Road. SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : (Description of the UDS agreed to be sold) : 647 sq. Ft., of undivided share in the Schedule 'A' Property. SCHEDULE C PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Flat bearing No.A-204, Block – A, in Second Floor, 3 BHK with Carpet Area of 1033 sq. Feet as per RERA of 1525 Sq. Feet in the building known as 'SRI VANI ORCHIDS' along with One covered Car Parking space in the stilt Floor of the building, constructed over the property bearing Katha No.26/2, situated at Kembhathaalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP Anjanapura Ward No. 196, Bangalore City now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Bangalore, measuring in all 27,.240.09 Sq. Feet along with right to use common passage, common areas such as staircase, lobbies, lifts and other common areas. The building is of RCC roofing Vitrified Flooring, Honne and Jungle Wood is used for Doors and Windows with Electricity, Water and sanitary connections.

Place: Bangalre
Date: 21.03.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II, BENGALURU,

Telephone House, 4th Floor, BSNL Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.

O.A. No. 569/2022

Between
Indian Overseas Bank, Jayanagara 5th Block Branch (0346), No.251/62, 9th Main, V Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru-560041, IFSC:IOBA0000346, Email id: iob0346@iob.in Mobile: +919973621771 **...Applicant**

Versus
1) Mr. Darshan L.D., S/o. Mr. Doddamalle Gowda, aged 41 years, R/a: Flat No.109, 1st Floor, Jasmine Block, Eden Blossoms, Sy. No.33/1, Khatha No.134/471/33/1, Gollahalli, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South - 560061.
2) Mrs. Rashmi N.C., W/o. Mr. Darshan L.D., aged 33 years, R/a: Flat No. 109, 1st Floor, Jasmine Block, Eden Blossoms, Sy. No.33/1, Khatha No.134/471/33/1, Gollahalli, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South - 560061. **... Defendants**

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) 1993.

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the recovery if debits due of Banks and financial institutions act 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of Rs. 39,85,329.24 (Rupees Thirty Nine Lacs Eighty Five Thousand three hundred and Twenty Nine Paise Twenty Four Only) together with current and future interest and other reliefs the above Defendant is there fore, hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause with in 30 days from the date of publication or on 24/4/26 at 10:30 am as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that I case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this 16th day March 2026.

Sd/- Recovery Officer,
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
BANGALORE

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, Malleswaram 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWERS/ GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Regional Office West** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. The contents of the said notice are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors /Guarantors:
(1) Smt. Puttamma (Borrower) D/o Narasimanna A D, Sanjay Gandhi Accident Hospital Byrasandra, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bengaluru South-560011. **Also At :** Quarter No.613, Sector IV, HMT Township, Jalahalli, Bangalore-560013. **Also At :** Flat No.B5-003, Ground Floor, B-5th Block, Alur Phase-2 Model-2 Layout, Bengaluru North-562123.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Sl. No	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of sanction/Renewal	Sanctioned Limit	Liability With Interest As On Date 15.03.2026	Rate of Interest
1	SYND NIVAS 04369730000181	11.12.2018	Rs. 24,73,000/-	Rs. 18,69,118.38	10.00 + 2% (penal interest)

Total Liability Amount: Rs.18,69,118.38 (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Eighteen and Thirty Eight Paise Only) together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 11.03.2026 **Demand Notice Dated : 16.03.2026**

Details of security assets :

Name of the title Holder : Smt. Puttama

SCHEDULE-"A" : Alur Residential Block-3 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Complex Phase 2 in Block No.3 consisting of 8 houses constructed by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) on the property Sy No.113,114, 115 situated at Alur Bangalore and land Measuring North to South: 23.5 meters and East to West: 21.00 meters. (Total area of 8 houses 493.5 sq.m., area of 1 house 61.68 sq.m.) and bounded: East by :Road /Car Park, West by : Park, North by: Road, South: Block No. 2.

SCHEDULE "B" : 61.68 (Sixty One point Six Eight) square meters of Schedule-'A' has been given an undivided share, power, right, interest and ownership and the total area of this house is 94.53 (Ninety Four point Five Three) square meters.

SCHEDULE "C" : All that piece and parcel of residential flat bearing No. B5-003 (B. Five-Three) consisting of 2 BHK, Ground Floor, B-5 Block Alur BDA Flat, phase 2 measuring of 94.53 (Ninety Four point Five Three) square meters built-up area in the residential complex constructed in schedule A Property, together with proportionate share and right to use in the common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use and bounded: East by: Flat Number B5-004 (B.Five-Four), West by: Park, North by: Passage, South by: Flat number B5-002 (B.Five-Two).

CERSAI ID: 400066806502

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 20.03.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

Textile Co-Operative Bank Ltd

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name : C.R. Padmanabhan
Mobile No : +91-9353675124

Address of the Branch :
N0.16, 1ST 'A' MAIN, SUDAMANAGAR, BENAGALURU-560027.
Tel : 080-48521054
E-mail : textilecbl@gmail.com, oa@tcbl.bank.in.

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLES PROPERTY
(Excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable assets (excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Textile Co-operative Bank Ltd. being the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **24.04.2026** for recovery of **Rs. 9,41,161/-** (Rupees Nine Lakh Forty One Thousand One Hundred and Sixty One Only) as on 31.03.2024 with future interest, charges etc. due to the Textile co-operative Bank Ltd, Bangalore, from **Mr. Naveenkumar** .S S/o. Srinivasachar R No. 111 'A', 4th Cross, 3rd Main, Shakti Garden, Mudalapalya, Nagarbhavi Bangalore-560072. And **Also at** No 5/1, 2nd floor, 3rd Cross, Anjaneya Temple Street, Nagasandra, Thygaraja Nagra, Bangalore-560028. And **Also at** No. 74, Gandhirudrashrama, Machohalli, Magadi Main Road. Bangalore-560091.

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under :

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment Amount	Date & Time of e-Auction of Property	Last Date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs. 19,00,000 /-	Rs. 1,90,000 /-	Rs. 30,000 /-	24.04.2026 11:00 A.M to 4.00 P.M	On or before 23.04.2026 up to 5.00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY :

SCHEDULE 'A'PROPERTY : Equitable/Registered mortgage of Land and Building, All the piece and parcel of the Eastern portion of the property bearing No.5 PID No.51-79-5 Situated at 3rd Cross, Anjaneya temple Street, Nagasandra, Thyagarajanagar, Bengaluru now 3rd Cross Nagasandra Bangalore. measuring East to West 11 feet and North to South 30 feet and **bounded on the East by :** Sri. Mukkadappa's property, **West by :** Smt. Nethravathi's property, **North by :** Smt Muniyamma's property, **South by :** Road.

Schedule 'B' property : An 1/3rd undivided right, title, interest and share in the land of schedule 'A' property and 2nd floor house approximately measuring 300 Sq.ft. of built-up area in the Eastern portion of the Residential property bearing No.5/3, PID No. 51-79-5/3 Anjaneya Temple Street, Nagasandra, Bengaluru, now called as 3rd Cross Nagasandra Thyagarajanagar, Bengaluru.

Statutory 30 Days Sale Notice Under "Sarfaesi" Act, 2002. : The Borrowers/Guarantors/Corporate Guarantors/Mortgagors are hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the E-auction sale and for E-auction tender document containing online e-auction Bid form Declaration etc, please refer to the link provided in **M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd. https://www.bankeauctions.com.**

Time during which inspection of the immovable secured assets to be sold and intending bidders should satisfy themselves about the assets and their specification. **between 11.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M.** with prior appointment. Contact person with mobile number **M/s. Supreme Enforcement, Mr. Mohan Kumar C. Mob : 99168 04586.**

Date: 18.03.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Textile Co-operative Bank Ltd

Textile Co-Operative Bank Ltd

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name : C.R. Padmanabhan
Mobile No : +91-9353675124

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Textile Co-operative Bank Ltd.** being the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **24.04.2026** for recovery of **Rs. 33,65,962** (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty Two only) **as on 31.07.2023** with future interest, charges etc. due to the Textile co-operative Bank Ltd, Bangalore, from **1. Sri. J. Susheel kumar,** s/o Jayasheelan, residing at no. 10/4, ITC Colony Main Road, 6th cross, Cox town, Jeevanahalli, Bangalore – 560005. **2. Smt. Shantha kumari. P,** No. 10/4, ITC Colony Main Road, 6th cross, Cox Town, Jeevanahalli, Bangalore – 560005. **3. Smt. Shakila. J,** No. H8, Janakiamma Compound, Park Road, Cox Town, Jeevanahalli, Bangalore – 560005.

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under :

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment Amount	Date & Time of e-Auction of Property	Last Date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs.28,84,000/-	Rs. 2,84,000/-	Rs. 50,000 /-	24.04.2026, 11:00 A.M to 4.00 P.M	On or before 23.04.2026 up to 5.00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY :

All that piece and parcel of the Southern half portion of the Property bearing No. 10/19, P.I.D No. 86-7-10/19, situated at Maruthi Seva nagar, Cox town, Jeevanahalli, Ward no. 86, Bangalore – 560010, measuring East to West – 16 ½ feet and North to South – 25 feet and **bounded on : East by :** Singam property, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Northern half portion municipal no. 10/19-1, **South by :** Masila Mani's property.

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Date: 18.03.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Textile Co-operative Bank Ltd

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We understand your world

HDFC BANK LTD, Ground Floor,Rashtrothana Bhavan, Muncipal No3/1,Ward No 77, Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore - 560001, Ph: 68906203/629

Demand Notice under Sub Section 2 of Section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 (hereinafter referred to as "The Act".)

We, HDFC BANK LTD hereinafter called as "Bank" do here by issue notice as under. Please take notice that you the following had availed a loan details of which have been mentioned hereunder. Towards the said loan you have created security interest in favour of the Bank on the property described hereunder by way of mortgage by depositing title deed. After availing the said loan, contrary to the contractual obligations you have defaulted repayment of the loan amount together with interest and other charges. Hence, your loan account has been categorized as Non Performing Asset. Therefore, the Bank hereby recall the entire loan and call upon you to pay total amount outstanding in your loan account together with interest and all other charges thereon (details of which have been mentioned hereunder), within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of this Notice. Further, You are hereby put on notice that in terms of Sec.13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured asset detailed hereunder.

If you fail to repay the Bank the outstanding amount, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sec 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other or further legal proceedings, as it deems necessary under any applicable provisions of law.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/ Co Borrowers	Description of property (Secured Assets)	A/c No & Amount	Date of NPA	Total Amount /Outstanding Amount
1	**1.Mr. Ajith Kumar Pandey,** K B Residency,Flat No 123 ,1st Floor, Yarandhalli, Bommasandra, Bangalore -560105 **Also available at:**CET Power Solutions India Pvt Ltd.,No 1470 13th Cross 19th Main HSR Layout Sector 1 Bangalore ,Bangalore 560102 **2.Ms. Nupur Kumari,** K B Residency, Flat No 123, 1st Floor, Yarandhalli, Bommasandra, Bangalore -560105	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY :**All that piece and parcel of immovable property converted lands bearing Sy.No.57 measuring 25 Guntas, duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide his order No. ALN/SR/(A) 656/2004-2005 dated 14.03.2005, the land bearing Sy. No. 58 measuring 21 guntas duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide his order no. ALN/SR/(A) 655/2004-2005 dated 14.03.2005 and the land bearing Sy. No. 58/1 measuring 20 guntas duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide order No. ALN/AJ/SR 59/2011-2012 dated 27.08.2011 totally measuring 1 acre 26 guntas or 6677.257 Sq.Mtrs situated at Kyalasanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, having katha No. 841/73/57/58/58/1 and commonly bounded on: East by: Land in Sy No. 57 and 58, West by: Land in Sy No. 57 and 58,North by: Road, South by: Land in Sy No. 58 **Schedule B :** All that piece and parcel of immovable property residential apartment bearing Flat No.123, First Floor, Located At "K.B.Residency" ,Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Municipal Katha No. 961/73/62, Sy.No.57, Situated at Kylasanahalli Village, Shri Anjaneya Swamy Temple, Bangalore Rural, Karnataka-560105. (measuring 980 Sq.Ft. of super built up area with one covered parking in the stilt flooring long with 439.3088 Sq.Ft. of undivided share) East by: Flat No. FF-122,West by: Open Space,North by: corridor/Flat No. FF124, South by: Open Space	A/c No. 801001227 Amount Rs. 12,40,000/-	05.11.2025	Rs.12,44,934.00 as on 30.01.2026
2	**1. Kumar Sourav Prashav**, Flat No 125 K B., Residency, Apartment R K Township Bommsandra, Electronic City, Bangalore Rural, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560099 **2.Reetisha Mishra**, Flat No 125 K B Residency Apartment R K Township Bommsandra, Electronic City, Bangalore Rural, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560099	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of immovable property converted lands bearing Sy.No.57 measuring 25 Guntas, duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide his order No. ALN/SR/(A) 656/2004-2005 dated 14.03.2005, the land bearing Sy. No. 58 measuring 21 guntas duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide his order no. ALN/SR/(A) 655/2004-2005 dated 14.03.2005 and the land bearing Sy. No. 58/1 measuring 20 guntas duly converted by the order of the Deputy Commissioner vide order No. ALN/AJ/SR 59/2011-2012 dated 27.08.2011 totally measuring 1 acre 26 guntas or 6677.257sq.mtrs situated at Kyalasanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, having katha No. 841/73/57/58/58/1 and commonly bounded on:East by: Land in Sy No. 57 and 58, West by: Land in Sy No. 57 and 58, North by: Road,South by: Land in Sy No. 58 **Schedule B :** (Description of the undivided share arising out of A schedule property hereby conveyed) An undivided 580.5152 Sq.ft share in the land comprised in the schedule A Property. **Schedule C : (Description of Apartment/Flat hereby conveyed):** Municipal Khata No. 963/73/64, A two bedroom apartment bearing No. 125 on the first floor of the apartment building known as "K.B.residency" constructed on the land mentioned in the A schedule herein, duly approved by BMRDA vide its sanction letter vide No. AYP/CC/840/2012-13 dated 21.5.2013 with super built up area of 1295 Sq.Ft. East by: Flat No. FF-126, West by: Open Space, North by: Open Space,South by: Flat No. FF-124	A/c No. 800154585 Amount Rs. 30,00,000/-	05.01.2026	Rs.29,15,102/- as on 28.01.2026
3	**1.W S Motors,** Represented by its proprietor Mr. Wasim Khan, No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya,Adugodi Post, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560030 **2.Mr. Wasim Khan,** Proprietor,No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya,Adugodi Post, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560030 **Also at:** No 774, 2nd A Cross,Anepalya, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560047 **3.Ms. Yasmin Rafeez,** No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya, Adugodi Post, Neelasandra,Bangalore, Karnataka – 560030 **Also at:** No 774, 2nd A Cross, Anepalya, Neelasandra,Bangalore, Karnataka – 560047	All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing No.15, having PID No. 69-29-15 (earlier being the Southern portion of house on Site No. 1 in Sy No 21/2 of Neelsandra Division 62/69 Bangalore City) situated at 2nd Cross, Presently known as 5th Cross, Anepalya, Neelsandra, BBMP Ward No. 116, Bangalore, measuring; East to west: Northern Side 40 Feet, Southern Side 40 Feet, North to South: Eastern Side 17 ½ Feet, Western Side 17 Feet and bounded on: **East By**: 20 Feet Road, **West By :** Private Property (Earlier Kullappas House), **North By:** Private Property (Earlier Remaining Portion of Same property) and **South By:** Private Property (Earlier Site No. 2)	A/c No. 87600982 Amount Rs. 30,40,000/-	06.12.2025	Rs.23,79,179/- as on 05.02.2026

Place : Bangalroe
Date : 16.03.2026

Regd.Office : HDFC Bank Limited, HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013.

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
HDFC BANK Ltd.,

1,300 people
killed in Iran in Israel-US attacks since Feb 28, as per official sources

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	7	SNY	Los Angeles	28	15	SNY
Colombo	31	25	SNY	Melbourne	26	14	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	29	17	TDS	Singapore	30	26	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	3	1	SNY
London	13	1	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

US TO RUSH MORE WARSHIPS, TROOPS TO WEST ASIA AS FIGHTING DRAGS ON

JERUSALEM/ WASHINGTON

ON one of the holiest days on the Islamic calendar, Iran fired on Israel and energy sites in neighboring Gulf Arab states, insisting that it can still build missiles and issuing a new threat, to deny safety to its enemies in "parks, recreational areas and tourist destinations" worldwide.

Israel meanwhile pounded Tehran with airstrikes as Iranians marked Nowruz, the Persian New Year. Drone attacks hit Kuwait's Mina Al-Ahmadi oil refinery on Friday, causing several fires but no casualties, state media reported, citing sources at the national oil company. "The Mina Al-Ahmadi refinery... was subjected early today to several hostile drone attacks, causing fires in some of its units," the official Kuwait News Agency said.

The US military is deploying three more warships and roughly 2,500 more marines to the West Asia, where there's no end to the war in sight despite three weeks of US and Israeli air strikes that have decimated Iran's military and leadership.

In a victory for President Donald Trump, the UK approved the use of its bases for the US to launch strikes on Iranian sites targeting the Strait of Hormuz. It was agreed during a Cabinet meeting that that the US use of British bases could be expanded to include protecting ships in the Strait of Hormuz.

Previously, the UK had previously allowed US to use its bases for operations to prevent Iranian attacks that put British interests or lives at risk.

The green light came hours after President Trump branded NATO allies "cowards" for not heeding his demand for military assistance against Iran to control the Strait of Hormuz shipping route.

"They didn't want to join the fight to stop a Nuclear Powered Iran. Now that fight is Militarily WON, with very little danger for them, they complain about the high oil prices they are forced to pay, but don't want to help open the Strait of Hormuz, a simple military maneuver that is the single reason for the high oil prices."

"So easy for them to do, with so little risk. COWARDS, and we will REMEMBER!"

Amid continuing US and Israeli attacks, Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Mojtaba Khamenei praised Iranians' steadfastness in the face of war, saying that US and Israeli attacks were based on an illusion that by killing top leaders they could cause the overthrow of the government. Khamenei's written statement marking the Persian New Year, Nowruz, was read on Iranian television.

He commended Iranians for "building a nationwide defensive front and strongholds across cities, neighborhoods, and mosques, delivering such a bewildering blow that the enemy fell into contradictions and irrational statements".

Israel said it had "eliminated" the intelligence chief of Iran's Basij force in a previous strike that also killed the force's top commander. *Agencies*

An Israeli self-propelled howitzer artillery gun fires rounds towards southern Lebanon from a position in the upper Galilee in northern Israel near the border on Friday | AFP

US F-35 stealth fighter hit by Iran, forced to land: Report

WASHINGTON

An F-35 fighter jet, theoretically the most advanced warplane in the US arsenal, was damaged and forced to make an emergency landing after it was struck by a suspected Iranian fire, CNN reported, quoting sources.

Captain Tim Hawkins, a spokesperson for US Central Command, said the fifth-generation jet with advanced stealth features was "flying a combat mission over Iran" when it was forced to make an emergency landing. This would be the first case of an F-35 jet being hit by enemy fire.

Also, it would be the first instance of a US aircraft hit by Iran in the current conflict.

The US has lost multiple aircraft during the conflict—including three F-15s mistakenly shot down by Kuwaiti forces, and a KC-135 refueling aircraft that crashed in Iraq—but none that are known to have been hit by Iranian fire.

The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps has put out a video of what it claims to be the successful strike on an F-35 jet. It stated that the aircraft was hit by an advanced air defense system. If confirmed, the incident would further tarnish the image of the aircraft, which has already suffered from multiple technical issues reported by users. Thirteen US service members have been killed since the start of the operation on February 28: six in the KC-135 crash and seven in Iranian attacks early in the war.

Hawkins said around 200 US military personnel have also been wounded in seven countries across the Middle East since the start of the war, most of whom have already returned to duty. He told The Associated Press that 232 service members have been injured in the Middle East. That's 30 more than a previous military tally of roughly 200 from Monday.

A view of the Port of Kharg Island Oil Terminal in the Persian Gulf | AFP

US could take out Kharg Island any time: Official

WASHINGTON

THE United States could "take out" Iran's Kharg island whenever it wanted, the White House said on Friday, after a report that President Donald Trump's administration was considering plans to occupy or blockade the oil hub. *Axios* reported that Trump was mulling an operation against Kharg to pressure the Islamic republic to reopen the Strait of Hormuz, the crucial shipping lane that Tehran has largely blocked.

The United States is at the same time deploying additional Marines to the Middle East, US media reported, possibly signaling a coming ground operation three weeks into the US-Israeli campaign.

"The United States Military can take out Kharg Island at any time if the President gives the order," White House Principal Deputy Press Secretary Anna Kelly wrote in a statement to AFP when asked about the Axios report.

"Thanks to a detailed planning process, the entire administration is and was prepared for any potential action taken by the terrorist Iranian regime," added Kelly. "President Trump knew full well that Iran would try to stop the freedom of navigation and free flow of energy, and he has already taken action to destroy over 40 minelaying vessels." President Trump said the United States had "totally obliterated" all military targets on Kharg in strikes on Friday, threatening to hit the island's infrastructure if Iran keeps blocking the Strait of Hormuz. *AFP*

Israeli warplanes break sound barrier over Beirut

Beirut: An Israeli warplane broke the sound barrier over Beirut on Friday morning, state media said, as AFP journalists heard loud booms reverberate across the city and in distant mountains.Lebanon's official National News Agency said "a strong sonic boom, in two successive waves, shook the skies over Beirut and its suburbs" on the morning of the Eid al-Fitr holiday.

Crews rationing food as blockade stretches

Seafarers stuck in the Gulf say they are rationing food and water and anxiously hoping supplies will get through Iran's blockade in the war that has stranded them for three weeks. One ship's captain said his vessel was stuck at anchor off Qatar near the major Ras Laffan liquefied natural gas plant, which was hit by an Iranian attack on Thursday. "Another worry is also about the food supplies, the water supplies and everything else that needs to be supplied to the crew," he said.

Israeli reservist arrested on suspicion of spying

Jerusalem: Israeli police said on Friday they had arrested an army reservist who served on the Iron Dome air defence system on suspicion of passing secrets to Iran. Raz Cohen, a 26-year-old resident of Jerusalem, served in the reserves in the Iron Dome system.

White House files fresh suit against Harvard University

WASHINGTON

The Justice Department filed a new lawsuit Friday against Harvard, saying its leadership failed to address antisemitism on campus, creating grounds for the government to freeze existing grants and seek repayment for grants already paid.

The lawsuit, filed in federal court in Massachusetts, is another missive in a protracted battle between the administration of Donald Trump and the elite university. "The United States cannot and will not tolerate these failures and brings this action to compel Harvard to comply" with federal civil rights law, the Justice Department wrote in the lawsuit, "and to recover billions of dollars of taxpayer subsidies awarded to a discriminatory institution."

The lawsuit comes after negotiations appear to have bogged down in the months-long battle with the Trump administration that has tested the boundaries of the government's authority over America's universities. What began as an investigation into campus antisemitism escalated into an all-out feud as the Trump administration slashed more than $2.6 billion in research funding, ended federal contracts and attempted to block Harvard from hosting international students.

In a pair of lawsuits filed by the university, Harvard has said it's being unfairly penalized for refusing to adopt the administration's views. A federal judge agreed in December, reversing the funding cuts and calling the antisemitism argument a "smokescreen."

Even so, Harvard and the Trump administration have held some negotiations, and the two sides have reportedly been close to reaching an agreement on multiple occasions. Last year, the administration and the university were reportedly approaching a deal that would have required Harvard to pay $500 million to regain access to federal funding and to end the investigations. *AP*

EXPRESS READ

Tropical cyclone batters northern Australia

Sydney: A tropical cyclone lashed Australia's northern tip on Friday, hitting remote coastal towns with the strongest winds seen for a "long, long time", authorities said. Severe Tropical Cyclone Narelle made landfall at the northern point of Queensland state, battering the coast with strong winds. Australia's government weather agency said winds exceeded 200 kilometres per hour

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client is interested in purchasing the property from **(1) Mr. ANURAG AGARWAL,** S/o. Mr. Mahabir Prasad Agarwal, **(2) Mr. ANUPAM AGARWAL**, S/o Mr. Mahabir Prasad Agarwal, **(3) Mr. VIKRAM AGARWAL,** S/o. Mr. Shiv Kumar Agarwal, **(4) Mr. ABHISHEK BINDAL,** S/o Mr. Dinesh Chand Bindal, No.4, Akshay Nagar, Yelenahalli Village, Bangalore, described in the schedule hereunder. Any persons having any claim, title or interest over the schedule property or any objections to the proposed purchase may file their objections in writing along with copies of the supporting documents to the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this publication, failing which my client will be advised to go ahead and complete the sale formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No. 4, Old BBMP No. 1464/228/4, E-PID No : 7477769844, Old PID No.10/228/4, situated at Akshay Nagar. Yelenahalli Village, Bangalore, BBMP, Ward No.192, Begur Range, Bangalore. measuring East to West : 50 feet or 15.2 Mtrs and North to South : 50 feet or 15.2 Mtrs, in all measuring 2500 Square Feet or 232.3 Square Meters, along with RCC Roofed house built in thereon and bounded on the East by Site No.3, West by : Road, North by Road, South by : Site No.5.

H.V. Ramaswamy Reddy, Advocate
Hotel Ganesh Upahar P.M.Krishnappa Road, Bangalore-560 002. Mob: 98441 75015

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients intend to purchase the Immovable Property bearing Municipal No.4, PID No. 50-34-4, E.PID No. 3165362304, measuring East to West 52 feet and North to South 36 feet in all measuring 1872 square feet, situated at Jain Temple Cross Road, V.V.Puram, Bengaluru-560 004, from Mrs. V. Mahalakshmi W/o. Mr. Vijaya Kumar. R.

Anybody having any right, title, interest or share in the schedule property shall notify the same to the undersigned with documentary evidence, within **THREE (3) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which my clients will purchase the schedule property, as if no valid claims are subsisting against the schedule property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing Municipal No.4, PID No.50-34-4, E.PID No.3165362304, measuring East to West 52 feet and North to South 36 feet in all measuring 1872 square feet, situated at Jain Temple Cross Road, V.V.Puram, Bengaluru-560004, and bounded onthe: East by: Property belonging to Venkateshwarlu, West by: Jain Temple Cross Road, North by: Property belonging to R.S.Suryanarayana Setty, South by: Property belonging to Smt. C. B. Susheela Bai.

K.SURYAPRAKASH RAO, Advocate
Chakravarthy Complex, Sajjanrao Circle, V.V. Puram, Bangalore-04.
Mobile No: 9845347114, 6360911979.
Dated: 20-03-2026

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I
B.S.N.L Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore-560001

O.A.No.1266/2022

Between:
UNION BANK OF INDIA (formerly Corporation Bank), Dommasandra Branch, No. 10, 11,12, 13, 14, Sy. No. 83, C.R. Complex, Opp. Cyptrus Square, Dommasandra Circle, Sarjapura Main Road, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562125. ...Applicant

And :
Sri Chinnam Praveen Kumar and another ...Defendants

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS, UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

Defendant No.1 : Sri Chinnam Praveen Kumar, S/o Sri Chinnam Venkata Subbaiah

Defendant No.2 : Smt. Ambika Chinnam, W/o Sri Chinnam Praveen Kumar, **Both are at:** Villa No. 31, Peninsula Prakruthi, Ittangu Main Road, Sarjapura, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Dist-562125

WHEREAS, the applicant has instituted an application U/s 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the above mentioned defendants for the Recovery of **Rs.49,61,988.33 (Rupees Forty Nine Lakhs Sixty One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight and paise Thirty Three only)**, together with current and future interest, costs and other relief's. You are hereby required to appear in person or duly instructed Pleader before this tribunal, to show cause on **18.05.2026 at 10.30 a.m**, as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that, in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal on this **11th day of March 2026**

Registrar
Debt Recovery Tribunal-I,
Bengaluru-560001

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House ,Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore -560 001

O.A. No.2295/2024

Between:State Bank of India, SME Branch Hoskote ...Applicant Bank

And

M/s. Varsha Apparels & Others ....Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993,

To : D1. M/s. Varsha Apparels, Address -1: No. 44, 4th Main, 6th Cross, Ayyappa Nagar, K. R. Puram, Bangalore - 560 067. And also at : Address 2: Balaji Layout, 6th Cross, Kodagenahalli, Bangalore - 560 067.

D2. Mrs. Varsha D., D/o. D. Chandrashekar, R/at No. 55, Optimum Garden, 3rd Main Road, Ayyappa Nagar, Bangalore - 560 036.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993, against the Defendant(s) you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.84,06,546.04** (Rupees Eighty Four Lakhs Six Thousand Five Hundred Forty Six and paise four only) together with current and future interest and other reliefs.

The above mentioned Defendant(s) is/are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly authroized agent, in support of his/their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or **on 29.04.2026 at 10.30 a.m.**, (forenoon) as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this 19.12.2025 **Sd/- Registrar**
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2, Bangalore
Advocate for Applicant :B. Prasanna Kumar

Karnataka State
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Shimoga Division, Shimoga
No.EE/PWD/Smg/JE-1/IFT-64/2025-26 Dtd: 18-03-2026

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -I, BENGALURU
4th Floor, BSNL Telephone Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengluru - 560 001

O.A. No.1106/2024

Between:City Union Bank Ltd., Malleshwaram Branch, No. 56/1, 13th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru - 560 003 represented by its Senior Branch Manager, Mr. H. Kameshwaran ...Applicant

And

M/s. Onyx Adevertising & Print Production & Others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT Nos. 1 to 6 UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, OF 1993

To, 1. M/s. Onyx Adevertising & Print Production Represented by its Partners, No. 143/16, 4th Main,Industrial Town, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 044.

2. Mr. Murugharajendra V. Herur S/o. Mr. Veerana Herur R/at No 32/8, Raksha Paradise SF-3, Rajajinagar Industrial Town, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru- 560 079.

3.Mr. Channabasappa Halagannanavar S/o. Mr. Shivabasappa Halagannanavar R/at No. 25/3, Rathod Land Mark, Flat No. 302, 1st Stage, Industrial Suburb , Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru- 560 022.

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the above defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,69,45,332.00** (Rupees One Crore Sixty Nine Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Two Only) amount together with current and future interest, costs & other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **29.06.2026** at **10.30 AM** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this the **05.01.2026.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -I Bengaluru

ESTD: 1907

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO. 3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18
Office: 26678572 : 26600512:26609066, Tele Fax: (080)26617980

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of The Bangalore City Co. Operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Bangalore City Co. Operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
VIJAYANAGAR BRANCH			
01	Smt. Muthyalamma (Deceased) Legal Heirs:- 1. Kumar P(Son), 2.Murali Kumar P(Son), 3.Kupendra P(Son), 4.Santhosh P(Son), 5.Indrani P(Daughter)	Demand Notice Dated : 16.12.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 16.03.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 4,59,409/- as on : 16.03.2026	Property & Measurement : New No.35, Old No.306, 13th Main Venkataswamy Thota, BBMP Ward No.44 of Jagjeevangram Nagar, PID No.44-72-45 Bengaluru. Measuring: East to West: 25feet & North to South: 16.9 feet. East by : Site No.299, West by : 13th Main Road, North by : Site No.305, South by : Site No.307
SANJAYANAGAR BRANCH			
02	Sri. Ramamurthy. P Guarantors:- 1. P Vijayalakshmi 2. P Niharika 3. P Priyanka	Demand Notice Dated : 01.01.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 16.03.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 83,42,595/- as on : 16.03.2026	Property & Measurement : No. 785, E-PID No.1228329242 New BBMP No. 744/2424/785, formed out of Sy. No. 34 to 39, 41 to 51 (portion) of Narasipura Village, HMT Layout, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, New BBMP Ward No. 09 of Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru. Measuring: East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 60 feet East by : House Sri. Chikkanna (Site No. 786), West by : Site No. 784, North by : Site No. 766, South by : Road.
YELAHANKA BRANCH			
03	Smt. Prema Guarantors:- 1.Sushma R	Demand Notice Dated : 12.01.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 16.03.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 29,71,129/- as on : 16.03.2026	Property & Measurement : :- Site No. 21, BBMP Khatha No. 298/14/2, New BBMP Khatha No. 14/2/21, Assessment No. 14/2 of Muneshwara Layout, Attur Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Present BBMP Ward No. 03, Attur, Bengaluru. Measuring: East to West : 60 feet & North to South : 19 feet East by : 10 feet Road, West by : Site No. 16 belongs to Vasudeva Rao, North by : Site No. 20, South by : Property belongs to A.M. Hanumanthappa

Date: 20.03.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD*			SILVER*			FOREX		
325.72 ▲	Sensex	74,532.96	₹650 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹151,080	₹5,000 ▼	1 kg	₹255,000	▲ Dollar	93.34	
112.35 ▲	Nifty	23,114.50	₹600 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹138,500	₹50 ▼	10 gm	₹2,550	▲ Euro	107.94	

*Delhi Mandi Price

HDFC Bank fires 3 senior executives

They were involved in the alleged mis-selling of Swiss bank Credit Suisse's AT1 bonds

BEN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

WITHIN two days of its former non-executive chairman Atanu Chakraborty resigned abruptly over unspecified differences in "values and ethics", HDFC Bank has fired three of its senior executives for their role in the alleged mis-selling of Swiss bank Credit Suisse's AT1 bonds, which were sold as safe-haven assets in early 2025.

After Credit Suisse went belly up, it was merged with another Swiss banking giant UBS in a government brokered rescue effort in June 2023. Those reportedly asked to leave the bank are Sampath Kumar, group head of branch banking; Harsh Gupta, executive vice-president, Middle East, Africa, and NRI onshore business; and Payal Mandhyan, senior vice-president at the bank, as the probe into alleged mis-selling continues, as per sources.

A bank insider told TNIE that Chakraborty's allegations of value and ethical issues might have come from the way the bank under Jagadishan handled the case.

CORE ISSUES

1. AT1 bonds issue came to light when NRI customers filed plaint with Maha police
2. HDFC Bank through its branch in DIFC sold AT1 bonds in May 2021
3. AT1 bonds were written down to zero in March 2023 after Credit Suisse went belly up

When they were asked to leave is not known, nor the bank has made any regulatory disclosures yet.

"The bank has asked the above cited three top executives to leave for their alleged involvement in mis-selling of Credit Suisse's additional tier 1 bonds," sources said.

The issue came to light when a few NRI customers who were sold some of the AT1 bonds filed a complaint with the Nagpur branch of the economic offences wing of the Maharashtra police in July 2025. The bank through its branch in the Dubai International Finance Centre sold these bonds in May 2021. These bonds were written down to zero in March 2023 after Credit Suisse went belly up and was merged with UBS in June. AT-1 holders had to take a complete write-off.

A high net-worth individual named four HDFC Bank officials. One of the complainants is Narendra Singru, a senior advisor at the Asian Development Bank.

The other aggrieved investors include Ashutosh Tiwary, chief executive of MTN Guinea Bissau; Pankaj Sinha, senior director at Coca-Cola; and Varun Mahajan, founder and director of Garava Investment & Consulting. Tiwary is currently based in South Africa and Mahajan in Dubai. The four investors are said to have invested about ₹20-25 crore in the AT-1 bonds of Credit Suisse sold by HDFC Bank. "They were promised a return of 10-13%," said a source.

Following the allegations, the Dubai Financial Services Authority banned HDFC Bank from onboarding new customers in the city state due to failures in the sales process of these complex, and high-risk securities.

Following this the bank had in October last sent two of its executives on "gardening leave" as part of the mis-selling investigation.

Premium petrol prices rise as crude oil rates increase

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE ongoing conflict in West Asia has begun to impact India's fuel market, with oil marketing companies raising the price of premium petrol by up to ₹2.35 per litre with immediate effect from Friday.

This marks the second price increase in a short span, following a ₹60 hike in domestic LPG cylinder prices earlier in March 2026. The latest revision applies only to high-end fuel variants such as BPCL's Speed, HPCL's Power fuel, and Indian Oil's XP95, while regular petrol prices remain unchanged for now.

Indian Oil Corporation clarified in a social media post that it has ensured no increase in regular automotive fuel prices despite rising international crude costs. The company added that the revision is limited to premium petrol, with minimal impact on overall consumption, and reiterated its focus on maintaining stable supply and responsible pricing amid evolving global conditions.

OMCs have sharply raised bulk diesel prices for industrial users by ₹22 per litre. In Delhi, bulk diesel prices have increased from ₹87.67 to ₹109.59 per litre. The government also sought to reassure consumers, noting that premium petrol accounts for only around 2-4% of total daily petrol sales in the country. As per Sujata Sharma, joint secretary (marketing & oil refinery) at the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, there has been no increase in normal petrol prices, and the impact of current hike is therefore limited. The last nationwide revision in petrol and diesel prices was on March 15, 2024, when rates were cut by ₹2 per litre.

The rise in global oil prices—trading above $100/barrel—has been driven by tensions between Israel and Iran. The situation worsened after attacks on key energy infrastructure and disruptions in cargo movement via Strait of Hormuz. Israel reportedly struck Iran's South Pars gas complex near Asaluyeh, targeting pipelines and compressors, while Iran retaliated with strikes on energy facilities across Gulf Arab states.

One of the most significant impacts has been on Ras Laffan Industrial City, a key global gas processing and export hub operated by QatarEnergy.

WEST ASIA WAR

Adopt measures for saving fuel, urges IEA

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

AS the conflict in West Asia continues to escalate, with Iran and Israel targeting key energy infrastructures, the International Energy Agency (IEA) has urged governments and citizens worldwide to adopt immediate fuel-saving measures to manage the deepening global oil crisis.

The Paris-based agency has recommended steps such as working from home where possible, reducing highway speed limits, promoting public transport, and encouraging carpooling to curb fuel consumption. It has suggested alternate-day access for private vehicles in large cities, diverting LPG use away from transport, adopting efficient driving practices, and avoiding air travel where viable alternatives exist.

"The war in the Middle-East is creating a major energy crisis, including the largest supply disruption in the history of the global oil market. In the absence of a swift resolution, the impacts on energy markets and economies are set to become more and more severe," said Fatih Birol.

The conflict has severely disrupted oil flows through the strategically crucial Strait of Hormuz, which typically carries around 20% of global oil consumption. Nearly 20 million barrels per day of crude oil and petroleum products usually transit through this route, but shipments have now slowed to a trickle.

Sitharaman asks tax officers to have humane attitude towards taxpayers

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday advised tax officers to prioritise taxpayer convenience, stressing that making the taxpayer's life easier must be the motto for all the officials in the tax department under the new framework.

During her address at the launch of Prarambh, a nationwide awareness campaign on the Income Tax Act, 2025, she said, "Making the Taxpayer's Life Easier" must be the motto. I want every officer to internalise this." She emphasised: "The taxpayer who interacts with your system is not your adversary. That taxpayer is your partner in nation-building," underlining that tax revenues fund public goods such as schools, hospitals and infrastructure.

The minister called for a shift in approach as the government rolls out the I-T Act, 2025, which seeks to reduce compliance burden, simplify language and improve transparency. She stated that the department must leverage the clarity of the new law to resolve pending disputes and avoid unwanted litigation.

"Every case that goes to tribunal or court is a failure of the system," she said, urging officers to refrain from initiating frivolous proceedings. Commenting on the fear people have about dealing with tax officials, she asked officials to respect taxpayers' time and effort. As per her, there should be a hassle-free system where a taxpayer files returns, gets refunds promptly and doesn't need to engage further with the department. "That is the gold standard we should aspire to," she said.

She underscored that the new tax regime must be rooted in "moral and ethical principles", replacing complexity with clarity. She stressed the need for accountable governance through transparent, rule-based oversight, signalling a broader push to build trust between taxpayers and authorities. She emphasised that the responsibility of the tax officials include reaching out to the remotest corners of the country and ensure even small businesses and individual taxpayers from get to benefit from the new Act.

Finance ministry notifies new Income-Tax Rules 2026

NEW DELHI: The government on Friday notified the Income Tax Rules, 2026, putting in place final regulatory framework for the Income-tax Act, 2025. With the new Act set to come into force from April 1, the rules aim to simplify processes and reduce compliance burdens for taxpayers across the board—from salaried individuals to corporates. From the new financial year, taxpayers will need to adopt new forms, formats and terminology, and comply with updated disclosure requirements. *ENS*

Govt approves ₹20k crore credit scheme for MFIs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE government on Friday approved a ₹20,000 crore credit guarantee scheme for limited period to aid microfinance institutions (MFIs), which have been complaining about challenges in accessing funds.

The Credit Guarantee Scheme for Microfinance Institutions-2.0 (CGSMFI-2.0) will cover loans disbursed by member lending institutions (MLIs), including banks and other lenders to non-banking finance company-MFIs and MFIs till June- end, the National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC) said in a circular. The MFIs, which serve people at the bottom of the pyramid, have been facing challenging times because of a surge in non-performing assets (NPAs), which has, in turn, made their lenders wary of extending further exposure. The NCGTC said MLIs should provide funding to the MFIs or NBFC-MFIs, as per their assessment, for on-lending to eligible small borrowers and also put certain conditions on interest rates.

GOVT BLOCKS 300 BETTING SITES

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE government on Friday cracked down on illegal gambling and betting platforms, blocking around 300 websites and mobile applications, according to sources.

The action targeted a wide range of platforms, including online sports betting sites, virtual casinos offering games such as slots, roulette and live dealer tables, as well as betting exchanges operating as peer-to-peer marketplaces. Authorities also moved against satta and matka gambling networks, along with real-money card and casino gaming apps.

Sources in the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology said the latest action is part of a broader push against unlawful online gaming platforms. In total, nearly 8,400 such websites have been blocked so far, with a significant majority—around 4,900—taken down after the enactment of the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025.

The Centre has consistently maintained that it is committed to building a safe, responsible and accountable online gaming ecosystem. The 2025 law was introduced to promote innovation in e-sports and legitimate online social gaming while prohibiting online money games.

It imposes a ban on all forms of online money gaming, whether based on chance, skill, or a mix of both. It also prohibits advertising, promotion and facilitation of such platforms, along with processing related financial transactions through banks or payment systems.

Additionally, the law empowers authorities to block access to illegal platforms under provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000 and prescribes strict penalties for violations.

Accenture Q2 results lift sentiment for Indian IT cos

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

ACCENTURE'S Q2 results and improved guidance have lifted sentiment around Indian IT companies, pointing to stable earnings growth despite uneven global demand.

The company reported an 8% year-on-year revenue growth in dollar terms to $18 billion and raised its full-year growth guidance to 3–5%. Excluding a drag from its US federal business, growth is seen at 4-6%. Strong deal bookings of $22.1 billion also signalled steady demand.

Brokerages said that while this does not signal a sharp recovery, it does reduce fears of further slowdown amid escalating war in West Asia.

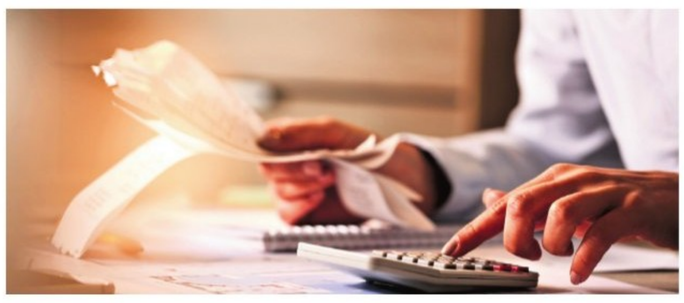
Nomura said the updated guidance "confirms that growth is not worsening further," adding that demand in financial services remains steady. It cautioned that a broader recovery depends on macroeconomic improvement. Citi remained cautious. It said the guidance does not include "any major economic disruption," even as bookings rose 4% YoY. The brokerage added that valuations for Indian IT remain high at about 16 times FY27 earnings. Other analysts see small positives building up. Nuvama called the results a "minor incremental positive," saying they show resilience in demand and could support higher investments and hiring as AI-led work increases.

I-T rules revised for taxing fringe benefits

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

THE notified the Income Tax Rules, 2026, has introduced a revised framework for the valuation of perquisites provided to salaried employees. Effective April 1, 2026, the rules aim to streamline the taxation of non-monetary benefits—from rent-free accommodation to employer-provided cars.

Under the new guidelines, the valuation of residential accommodation continues to be linked to city population based on the 2011 Census. For cities with a population exceeding 40 lakh, the perquisite value will be 10% of salary, while for smaller cities, the rates will be 7.5% and 5%. In the case of leased or rented accommodation, the taxable value will be the lower of the actual lease rent paid by the employer or 10% of salary. The rules also explicitly include electric vehicles (EVs) within the concessional valuation regime for employer-provided cars. EVs will be treated on par with vehicles having engine capacity not exceeding 1.6 litres when used partly for official and partly for personal purposes.



For such vehicles, the taxable value will be ₹5,000 per month (plus ₹3,000 for a driver). For cars with engine capacity exceeding 1.6 litres, the taxable value will be ₹7,000 per month (plus ₹3,000 for a driver).

In the case of employer-provided personal attendants—such as sweepers, gardeners or watchmen—the taxable value will be the actual salary paid by the employer, minus any amount recovered from the employee. For utilities such as gas, electricity and water, the valuation will depend on the source. Where these are provided through an external agency, the taxable value will be the amount paid by the employer. If supplied from the employer's own resources, the taxable value will be based on the cost of production per unit.

The rules also update the treatment of concessional loans and other fringe benefits. Loans up to ₹2 lakh remain exempt, and relief continues for specified medical treatments. The tax-free limit for employer-provided gifts and vouchers has been set at ₹15,000 per annum.

Free food and beverages provided during working hours will remain tax-exempt if offered through paid vouchers up to ₹200 per meal. Free or subsidised education provided by employers will be valued at the cost of a similar institution in the locality. However, the benefit will generally remain tax-free if the value does not exceed ₹3,000 per month per child.

CFO of IPO-bound Flipkart steps down

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

AHEAD of its potential initial public offering (IPO), Flipkart Group chief financial officer Sriram Venkataraman is stepping down from his role, the company said on Friday.

Venkataraman, who has been with Walmart-backed Flipkart for over a decade, will leave over the next few months. The company has not yet announced a successor. "Sriram will remain with the company for a period of time to ensure continuity and a smooth transition. During this period, Ravi Iyer, CFO, Flipkart, will oversee the broader finance organisation," the company said.

Flipkart also appointed Nishant Verman as senior vice-president where he will handle corporate development and partnerships. As per a Bloomberg report, Flipkart may begin the formal process of inviting banks to pitch for IPO-related work as early as next month. The company has reportedly held informal discussions with investors and bankers regarding a possible Mumbai listing. The IPO could happen later this year or in early 2027, though plans are still at an early stage.

The leadership change follows recent layoffs affecting around 400–500 employees, about 3-4% of its workforce, higher than the usual annual figure. The cuts impacted multiple departments, while the company continues hiring for senior roles. Financially, Flipkart India reported a wider loss of ₹5,189 crore in FY25, up from ₹4,248.3 crore the previous year. However, revenue rose 17.3% to ₹82,787.3 crore, with expenses also increasing 17.4% to ₹88,121.4 crore.

Meanwhile, the e-commerce major has announced a 105% bonus payout to employees for 2025 on the back of strong growth momentum. As per a PTI report, the bonus payout for eligible employees at the Senior Director (SD) level and below will be disbursed in March.

ASIANOMICS

TAIWAN

FEB EXPORT ORDERS MISS FORECASTS

Taiwan's export orders in February shrank for a sixth straight month, though at a slower pace, dragged down by China and as global demand continued to be squeezed by inflation and interest rate hikes. The island's export orders, a bellwether for global technology demand, fell 18.3% from a year earlier to $42.12 bn, the Ministry of Economic Affairs said on Monday. February's number was worse than analysts' expectations for a 15.0% fall, and compared with January's 19.3% slump. Orders for telecoms products fell 20.3% and electronic products fell 21.9% from a year earlier, it said. Global economic growth momentum could be constrained in the coming months as inflation and interest rate pressures persist, as well as no signs of let-up in the Russia-Ukraine war, the ministry said. However, that would be offset by demand for emerging technologies like high-performance computing, AI, cloud data centres and automotive electronics.

JAPAN

BOJ KEEPS RATES STEADY AMID IRAN WAR

The Bank of Japan on Thursday kept its rates steady at 0.75% as expected, but noted that inflation risks now are tilted to the upside due to the Iran war. In its statement, the BOJ said the decision was split, with eight of the nine members voting in favor of a hold. The only dissenter was Hajime Takata, who viewed "overseas developments" as a risk for prices in Japan and proposed a rate hike to 1%. In its statement, the BOJ said that while core inflation is expected to temporarily decelerate below 2% in the near term due to a slowdown in rice price increases, the conflict in the Middle East will exert "upward pressure, affected by the recent rise in crude oil prices." The decision comes as Tokyo grapples with the fallout from the Iran conflict, which has pushed up energy prices. The country gets about 95% of its energy imports from the Middle East.

MALAYSIA

EXPORTS RISE 10.8% IN FEBRUARY

Malaysia's exports grew 10.8% in February from a year earlier, driven by higher demand for manufactured goods, the trade ministry said Thursday. Shipments to China grew 13.2% in February from a year earlier, while exports to the United States soared 42.3% on robust demand for electrical and electronic goods. Imports in February grew 8.2% from a year earlier, the data showed, in line with the poll forecast of an 8% increase. Malaysia recorded a trade surplus of 16.7 billion ringgit ($4.25 billion) in February, below the poll forecast of 20.5 billion ringgit. It was the 70th consecutive monthly trade surplus since May 2020. The trade ministry flagged risks to global trade due to the escalating conflict in the Middle East. The situation has created additional uncertainties and disrupted international trade flows, particularly across Asia and Europe, the ministry said.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY, UDAIPUR

File no- Dir/po/2025-26 Date:- --------03.2026

NIT No. :- 09 /2025-26

Bids for following equipments are invited from interested bidders -

Description	Total Estimated Cost (in Rs.)	Last date of bid submission	UBN NO.
WD-XRF with 5 years CAMC	4,25,00,000/-	06.04.2026 1.00 PM	MIN2526GLOB00075
Ball Mill	20,00,000/-	23.03.2026 1.00 PM	MIN2526GLOB00076

Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (**https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** or **https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in/**) of the state, and on department website **https://mines.rajasthan.gov.in**

DIPR/C/5565/2026 **DMG UDAIPUR**

भारतीय विमानपत्तन आर्थिक विनियामक प्राधिकरण

Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA)

भारत सरकार/**Government of India**

3rd Floor, Udaan Bhawan, Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi-110003

Ph.: 011-24695044

PUBLIC NOTICE

STAKEHOLDERS' CONSULTATION MEETING ON DETERMINATION OF TARIFF FOR THE AERONAUTICAL SERVICES FOR NOIDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, JEWAR FOR THE FIRST CONTROL PERIOD (01.04.2026 to 31.03.2031)

Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA) has issued Consultation Paper No. 07/2025-26 on 06.03.2026 (which is available on AERA website at URL www.aera.gov.in) w.r.t the Tariff Determination for Aeronautical Services for Noida International Airport, Jewar for the 1st Control period Tariff Cycle of five years (01.04.2026 to 31.03.2031).

In accordance with the provision of Section 13(4) of the AERA Act, 2008, the various tariff proposals of the Authority contained in the Consultation Paper, are put forth for Stakeholders' Consultation. A Stakeholders Consultation Meeting in hybrid mode (Physical/Online) in this regard is scheduled on 23rd March, 2026 (Monday) at 3:00 PM at:

Stakeholders Room, 3rd Floor, Udaan Bhawan, Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi - 110003

All stakeholders like Passengers/Passengers' Associations, General Public, Airport Operators, Airlines, Industry Associations/Bodies, Independent Service providers for Cargo, Ground Handing Fuel Farm etc., are requested to join the said meeting and give their valuable suggestions/comments/views on the aforesaid Consultation Paper on tariff proposal of Noida International Airport, Jewar.

Participants joining in person may send their confirmation to AERA by 22nd March, 2026 with Name, email address, mobile number, vehicle number by email (to director-ps@aera.gov.in and rajan.gupta1@aera.gov.in). Online link will be shared on AERA website (https://aera.gov.in) before the Stakeholders meeting under Tab "News and Announcements".

Sd/-
Secretary, AERA

CBC 03112/12/0027/25

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया **Union Bank of India**

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH

#2/3, Raja Building,N.R Road, Bengaluru-560002

E-Mail: ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank.in

DEMAND NOTICE ISSUED UNDER [SECTION 13(2)] OF SARFAESI ACT

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) READ WITH SEC.13(3) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore** had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : **1. M/s Satish Enterprises, Proprietor Mr. P Satish Kumar** Office Address: No.729/B, CCK Complex, Sarjapur Road, Attibele, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District – 562 107. **2.Mr. P Satish Kumar** S/o Mr.patel No.99, 2nd Cross, Lavakusha Layout, Beratena Agrahara, Hosur Main Road, Bangalore – 560 100 **3.Mrs. Ambily Raghunath** W/o Mr.raghunath Residing At No.49/17, 4th Cross, Begur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore – 560 068

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Type of Facility & A/c no	Outstanding Running Ledger amount as on date of NPA 19.07.2018	Unapplied Other charges till 31.01.2026	Cost/charges Incurred by bank	Total dues as on 31.01.2026
2075311 00000007 Secured Overdraft	Rs.10,05,849.80	Rs.8,75,293.46	Rs. 1,46,646.15	Rs. 20,27,789.41

Total Liability Amount: Rs.20,27,789.41 (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Twenty-Seven thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Nine and Forty-One Paisa only) as on **31.01.2026** together with further interest and charges.

NPA Date :19.07.2018 **Demand Notice Dated : 05.03.2026**

Description of the Schedule Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of the Vacant Property bearing Plot No.30, in Block "A", Phase – 2, Khatha No.2630, in Sai Nagar, situated at Neralur Village, Neralur Village Panchayath, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Carved out of Sy No.:82, vide conversion order No.ALN.SR.(A).37/2004-05 dated 07.08.2004, Measuring: East to West: 15 Feet on North and South Side & North to South: 40 Feet on East and West side, totally measuring 600 Sq. Feet and Bounded on : East by : Plot No.:29, West by : Remaining portion of same Plot No.30 belonging to Sathish Kumar, North by : Road, South by :Plot No.37.

Note: Earlier Demand Notice/s issued under section 13(2) stands withdrawn.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : 1.Mr.PVNP Ravichand S/o Mr.Raghava Rao Pula, Residing at Flat No.431, A3 Block, Palm Groves Apartment, Marasur Gate, Anekal Road, Chandapur, Bangalore – 562106. **Also at: Mr.PVNP Ravichand** S/o Mr.Raghava Rao Pula, Flat No.BF – 208, 1st Floor, 'F' Block, Garden Residency Apartment, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District – 560 099

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Type of Facility & A/c no	Outstanding Running Ledger amount as on date of NPA 29.12.2023	Unapplied Other charges till 31.01.2026	Cost/charges Incurred by bank	Total dues as on 31.01.2026
Housing Loan – 0392166 50000002	Rs.59,35,359.00	Rs. 13,11,175.40	Rs. 85,605.00	Rs. 73,32,139.40

Total Liability Amount: Rs.73,32,139.40 (Rupees Seventy-Three Lakhs Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Nine and Forty Paisa only) as on **31.01.2026** together with further interest and charges.

NPA Date : 29.12.2023 **Demand Notice Dated : 05.03.2026**

Description of the Schedule Immovable Property

Schedule 'A' Property: All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy.No. 108/3(previously portion of Sy.No. 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No. 150200103200820885, property no, 522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non agricultural residential purposes vide official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide no. B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and Bounded on the; East by : Land in Sy.No. 108/2, West by : Road, carved out of kharab land, North by : Road, carved out of kharab land, South by : Tank Bed

Schedule 'B' Property : 400 Sq.Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest of Land in the 'A' schedule Property

Schedule 'C' Property : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. BF - 208, totally measuring a super built up area of 1089 Sq.ft in the First Floor in 'F' Block along with covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt Floor numbered as BF – 208 along with 400 Sq.Ft of undivided interest in land comprising schedule A property is one of such apartment units/flats in the said Apartment Building " Garden Residency", situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru and bounded on : East by : Common Staircase Area, West by : Residential Apartment privately numbered as F-207 in First Floor of 'F' Block, North by : Area open to sky of apartment building, South by : Common Corridor.

Note: Earlier Demand Notice/s issued under section 13(2) stands withdrawn.

Date : 05.03.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Union Bank of India**

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No: 03-MYS-2026
Dated: 13.03.2026

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Sl.#	Name of work	Approx. Value
1	Infra-Red Thermo Vision Camera **(Tender No. L9265178)**	**Rs. 51,71,834.00**
2	100 KVA Dry Type Compact Substation (CSS) **(Tender No. L92560598)**	**Rs. 57,06,125.00**

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 10:30 Hrs. on 06.04.2026**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Materials Manager/ Mysuru

PUB/1002/AAMO/PRB/SWR/2025-26

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -I, BENGALURU

4th Floor, BSNL Telephone Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengluru - 560 001

O.A. No.1110/2024

Between:City Union Bank Ltd., Malleshwaram Branch, No. 56/1, 13th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru - 560 003 represented by its Senior Branch Manager, Mr. H. Kameshwaran **...Applicant**

And

M/s. Innovative Paper Products & Others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT Nos. 1 to 6 UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, OF 1993

To, 1. M/s. Innovative Paper Products, Represented by its Partners, No. 2, 14th Cross, Mutthurayaswamy Layout, Srigandhakavalu, Sunkadhakatte, Bengaluru - 560 091.

2. Mr. Murugharajendra V. Herur S/o. Mr. Veerana Herur R/at No. 32/8,Raksha Paradise SF-3, Rajajinagar Industrial Town, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru-560 079.

3.Mr. Channabasappa Halagannanavar S/o. Mr. Shivabasappa Halagannanavar R/at No. 25/3, Rathod Land Mark, Flat No. 302, 1st Stage, Industrial Suburb , Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru- 560 022.

4. Mrs. K. Madhumathi @ Madhumathi M. Herur W/o. Mr. Murugharajendra V. Herur,R/at No. 32/8,Raksha Paradise SF-3, Rajajinagar Industrial Town, Basa veshwara nagar, Bengaluru- 560 079.

5. Mrs. Pooja Channabasappa @ Pooja C. Halagannanavar W/o. Mr. Channabasappa Halagannanavar R/at No. 25/3, Rathod Land Mark, Flat No. 302, 1st Stage, Industrial Suburb , Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru- 560 022.

6. M/s. Onyx Adevertising & Print Production Represented by its Partners, No. 143/16, 4th Main,Industrial Town, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 044.

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the above defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,97,41,928.00** (Rupees One Crore Ninety Seven Lakhs Forty One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) amount together with current and future interest, costs & other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **29.06.2026** at **10.30 AM** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this the **05.01.2026.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -I Bengaluru

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd

(FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)

Registered Office : No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given that the following borrower/s have availed loan from **Equitas Housing Finance Limited (EHFL) / Equitas Finance Limited (EFL) / Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd (ESFB)**. The said borrower/s had/have failed to pay Installments and their loan account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset as per the guidelines issued by RBI. The details of the secured immovable propert/ties, loan and the amounts outstanding as on date payable by the borrower/s are mentioned below. The borrower(s) and the public in general are informed that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer, the secured creditor has initiated action against the following borrower(s) under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and not to deal with the said property. on failure to repay the outstanding dues indicated against their names within 60 (Sixty) days of this notice, the undersigned will exercise any one or more of the powers under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, including power to take possession of the property/ies and sell the same.

SR. NO. - 1 , BRANCH - B.G.ROAD, **L. No. -** SEBGROD0405223/200001521563
Borrowers/Co-Borrowers - GOVARDHAN K, MANJULA K
Demand Notice Date - 31.01.2026 **& Outstanding Amount -** 2408777

Description of Secured Asset - (Immovable Property) - All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing no.65, BBMP Katha no.192/01/65/4490, Sy no.1,Situated at Anjanapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Now BBMP Ward no.194 Measuring East to West 40.7ft, North to south 19.4ft, Total extent of 789.58Sq.ft. ,North By : property of Shanthamma,South By : property of Amulya,East By : Road,West By : Road.

Date - 21.03.2026, Place - Bangalore **Authorized officer, Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, my clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule property from its owner **Sri. PRASHANTH P. GOWDA** S/o **Sri. Puttappa Gowda,** residing at: Gujjina Kodige, Sarala, Shivamogga-577432.

Apart from the said owner, if any other person/s have any manner of claim or interest or demand over the Schedule property or any part thereof by way of sale, lease, mortgage, gift, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, pre-emption or otherwise howsoever, they are hereby requested to file their objection/s (along with the photocopies of the documents on which they are relying), with the undersigned within **14 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Municipal No.70/1, (PID No.49-38-70/1) and Municipal No.70/2 (PID No.49-38-70/2), both measuring East to West 65ft and North to South 18ft, situated at Ramakrishna Mutt Layout, Gavipuram Guttahalli, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : Property of Boraiah,
West by : Road,
North by : Property No.70/A, (Item No.2 property),
South by : Property of Muniyappa.

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Municipal No.70/A, PID No.49-38-70/A, measuring East to West 60ft and North to South 25ft, situated at Ramakrishna Mutt Layout, Gavipuram Guttahalli, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : Property of Boraiah,
West by : Road,
North by : Private Property,
South by : Property No.70/1 & 70/2 (Item No.1 property).

Sd/- S.F. GOUTAM CHAND, Advocate,
GOUTAM ASSOCIATES,
No.60, 2nd Floor, Old Kanakapura Road,
Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that my client **SMT. THIPPAMMA,** Wife of Sri. N. Balakrishna, has lost the original of Sale deed dated 05.04.1982 executed by Corporation of City of Bengaluru in favour of Smt.Kaveramma, registered as document No.327/1982-83 of Book-I, Volume-783 at the pages 41 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Srirampuram, Bengaluru and original of Sale deed dated 16.10.1991 executed by Smt. Kaveramma in favour of Sri. G.N. Narasimhaiah registered as document No. 2255/1991-92 of Book-I, Volume-1466 at the pages 147 to 151 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Srirampuram, Bengaluru, in respect of property bearing Site No.42, situated at Jagajeevaram Nagar, Bengaluru, about some months back in transit.

In case the same is traced by anybody they should hand over the same to the undersigned and also in case anybody is having any claim, charge or interest over the said property, they shall lodge their objections with the undersigned within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of Publication of this Notice.

P.G. BHAT Advocate,
No.4/10, Amara Building, 1st Main Road, Yeshwanthpur, BENGALURU - 560 022. Mob:9448253440.
BENGALURU, DATE : 20.03.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client NAGARUDRESH, B.S, S/o Sri. D.V. Shanmukhappa is intending to purchase the schedule property from its owner Sri. Puttaswamy.K, S/o Late M Kondaiah, for a valid sale consideration. If any persons having any claims, right, title, interest, whatsoever over the schedule property may forward their objections to the undersigned in writing, within SEVEN days from the date of this notice. Failing which it will be deemed that there are no claims, right, title or interest by anybody and my client will proceed with the completion of sale transaction and will get register the absolute sale deed of the schedule property in his favour.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential Plot bearing site no. 6378, situated in Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout Sector - 0, 5th Block, K.Krishnasagara Village, Sy.No.32, measuring East to West 12 meters and North to South 9 meters in all measuring 108.00 meters having khata no. BD007S190002610 and PID no. 6000057699, and bounded on the EAST BY : 9.00 MTRS ROAD, WEST BY : SITE No.6391, NORTH BY: SITE No.6379, SOUTH BY: SITE No.6377

PRASHANTH. R, Advocate
23, 2nd floor, E Park Road, Kumara Park East Shehadripuram, Bengaluru - 560001.
Mb. : 9739011901
Email : advocateprashraj@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intending to purchase the schedule property from Sri. J. NAGARAJAN, S/o. Sri. O.M. Jayaraman, AADHAR No. xxxx xxxx 0520 and Smt. SUMATHI, W/o. Sri. J. Nagarajan, Aadhar No. xxx xxxx 5153, Both are residing at: No. 3, 1st A Main Road, Behind BEML, G. M. Palya, New Thippasandra, Bengaluru-560075.

Any person/banking institutions/company, etc., has got any sort of legal right, claim, interest over the schedule property or having any sort of objection for the said sale transaction, shall approach the under mentioned Advocate within 7 days from this day, with documentary evidence, failing which my client shall proceed further in accordance with the terms of the agreement to sell, considering there is no objection to the said sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ITEM NO: 1

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable agricultural property bearing Sy. No. 123/4, measuring 0-29 guntas of land, situated at Hookunda Village, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru South District, and bounded on: East by: Land belonging to Sri. Chikkaide gowda, S/o. Muddamma, West by: Land belonging to Sri. Gujje gowda, S/o. Kadegowda, North by: Land belonging to Sri. Chikkakempegowda @ Ramesh, South by: Land belonging to Sri. Kempegowda @ Marigowda

ITEM NO: 1

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable agricultural property bearing Sy. No. 124/3, measuring 04 acres 17 guntas of land, situated at Hookunda Village, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru South District, and bounded on: East by: Land belonging to Sri. Chikkaide gowda, S/o. Muddamma, West by: Land belonging to Sri. Chikkaputtegowda, S/o. Channaveere gowda, North by: Land belonging to Sri. Puttaswamygowda, S/o. Chikkaputtegowda, South by: Land belonging to Sri. Puttegowda @ Marigowda.

Place: Bengaluru **Date: 20-03-2026**

Sd/- N.S. SHIVASHANKAR
Advocate, No. 207, Ground Floor, 26th Cross, Behind BWSSB Office, Uttarahalli-Kengeri Main Road, Poorna Prajna Nagar, Bengaluru-560061.
Ph No. 93430 94442, 98459 31901

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that our clients have negotiated to purchase the below mentioned **Schedule Property** from its present Owners **Sri. YASHAS. B.S,** son of Late Vijaya Giriranjan residing at Flat No.107, Mathru Layout, Yelahanka New Town, GKVK, Bengaluru – 560 065 and **Smt. RANI CHETANA SHESHAN,** Wife of Sri. S.Venkata Sheshan, residing at No.68, 4th Cross, 4th Block, Ramakrishna Nagar, Nandhini Layout, Bengaluru – 560 096, who made averments that they have acquired the Schedule Property in terms of Partition Deed dated 23/06/2022, registered as document No.GAN-1-01735/2022-23 and stored in C.D.No.GAND1217, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru. That apart from them, there are no other person/s, members of family and/or any financial institutions (Banking/NBFC) or etc., has/have any right, share or stake in the Schedule Property and the parties are finalising the execution of Sale Deed. This notice is given to those concerned, that should there be any pre-existing rights, objections or claim of any nature over the Schedule Property or any part thereof, they are requested to lodge their written objections/claims with necessary documentary proof to the undersigned within **TEN DAYS** from the date of publication. If no objections or claims along with proof are forthcoming within the said period, our clients shall construe that the Schedule Property is free from encumbrances, claims or hold and any subsequent objection/claims raised thereafter, shall not be considered and same shall not be held responsible by our clients and shall go ahead with purchase of the Schedule Property from present owners.

:SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that Residential building bearing **No.609,** bearing Municipal **No.609/491/609,** in layout formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, situated at 9th Block, 2nd Stage Nagarabhavi, presently within the jurisdiction of Ward No.73-KOTTIGEPALYA, Bengaluru. The Site/Land measuring East to West: 18.40 Meter and North to South: 12.20 Meter, in all measuring about 224.48 Square Meters, together with Residential building consisting of Basement, Ground Floor, measuring 1,500 Square Feet and First Floor, measuring about 1,500 Square Feet of Built-up Area, standing thereof and the property is bounded by:

East : Road;
West : Property bearing No.576;
North : Property bearing No.608; and
South : Property bearing No.610.

S.KEERTHIKAR, Advocates,
No.216, 4th Main Road, 3rd Phase, J.P.Nagar, Bengaluru – 560 078.
Mob: 9845066604
e-mail: keerthikar@gmail.com
Place: Bengaluru Dated: 18/03/2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that the property as more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder is being considered for purchase to our Client from the current owners of the Schedule Property.

Therefore, any person(s) having any claim in respect of the Schedule Property or part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, inheritance, possession, lease, tenancy, lien, license, charge, trust, or any encumbrance or right arising under any agreement, deed, judgment, decree, or otherwise-is hereby required to notify/inform the same in writing with supporting documents to the undersigned at their office at Chambers of Hasita Murali, Advocate, 2/1, Ground Floor, Simhadri Mansion, Cox Town, Bangalore - 560005, within 7 days (both days inclusive) of this publication dated 21.03.2026, failing which such claims shall be deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable land bearing Site no.64, Survey No.213, property measuring 1,350 sq ft. situated at Chikkabanaswadi, K.R. Puram Hobli, now known as Errappa Reddy Layout, Banaswadi, Bangalore-560033, bounded by:

East By:25 ft Road, West By: Site No.44, North By: Site No.65, South By: Site No.63

Chambers of Hasita Murali, Advocate, 2/1, Ground Floor, Simhadri Mansion, Ramakrishnappa Road, Cox Town, Bangalore-560005.
Contact : 8147063631, 8553218058

Government of Karnataka
Office of the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation And Ground Water Development Division, Ballari

IFT No. EE/MI & GWDD/Bly/AE-2/2025-26/2395
Date : 16.03.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-4)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Division Ballari invited the tender for the work of under **Head for Account 4702 Plan APB** 2 works in Hosapete Taluk Vijayanagara Dist and **01 work in Ballari Tq** Ballari Dist in Two Cover System **Minimum Estimated amount put to tender is Rs.100.73 lakhs and Maximum Estimated amount put to tender is Rs.200.42 lakhs** the tenderers should download and submitt the tenders from **date : 17.03.2026 to 27.03.2026 upto 17.30 hours. Date & Time of opening Technical Bid is on 30.03.2026 at 11.00 hours. Opening of Financial Bid is on 02.04.2026 at 11.00 hours.** Any other information should get by login the website **"KPPP"** http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
M.I. & G.W.D. Division, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/1164/KSMCA/2025-26

ಕೆನರಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ Canara Bank
ಸಿಂಡಿಕೇಟ್ Syndicate
(ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸ್ವಾಮ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಿದೆ)

BRANCH:
Bommasandra Main Bangalore

GOLD JEWEL PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE

Whereas the authorized officer of **CANARA BANK, Bommasandra Main Branch Bangalore** issued Sale notice(s) calling upon the borrower to clear the dues in gold loan availed by them. The borrower had failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned will conduct auction of the gold ornaments strictly on **"As is What is Basis" & "Whatever there is Basis" & "Without recourse Basis".** The auction will be conducted **ONLINE www.gerpegov.com/canarabank** on : **04.04.2026, Timings 10.30 A.M to 3.00 P.M.**

Name of the Borrower & Branch	Account Number & Loan Amount	Gross weight (in gms)	Net weight (in gms)	Date of Inspection & EMD	A/C Status
Kumar L (deceased) C/o Mrs banupriya (Nominee) Bommasandra Main Branch	180399827113 1,00,000/–	21.4	18.1	02–04–2026 Rs.25,000/-	SUB STAN

Please contact/visit Branch for further information Ph No. 9071104680

Date : 21-03-2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bommasandra Main Branch **Canara Bank**

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable asset(s)

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Sayyad Salman Khan (Borrower) Syed Shamshad Begum (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LBBNG00006161947	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat /Apartment No.704, admeasuring 1557 Sq. Fts on the 7th Floor in Block No.1, 3BHK, construction on "Schedule A Property" situated at and bearing Jigani Purasabhe Khatha No.5955/583 Flat No.704, Ward No.15, with a super built up area of 1557 Sq.ft., along with common areas and facilities attributable thereto, having No Car Parking in the stilt floor and the composite property is bounded by: East by : Open Space, West by : 8 Feet wide Corridor, North by : Open Space South by : Lift Area.	Rs. 50,87,206/- (as on March 10, 2026)	Rs. 67,00, 000/- / Rs.6,70, 000/-	April 04, 2026 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	April 23, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
2.	Mr. M U Risheal (Borrower) Shuguftha B K (Guarantor) Loan Account No. LBBNG00005943790	All that piece and parcel of the Residential Immovable Property bearing Site Nos.21 and 22, BBMP Katha No.58/1/58/1P1/21 and 22, ward No.11, New BBMP Katha No.259/58/1P1/21&22, formed in Converted Old Sy. No.58/1, New Sy. No.58/1P1, duly converted for Non-Agricultural residential purpose vide Order No.BDS.ALN.SR (NA)4/2004-05, dated: 09/07/2004, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Situated at Jarakabande Kaval (J.B. Kaval) Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Measuring :- East to West : 60-0 Feet North to South : 39-0 Feet In all measuring : 2340 Square Feet And bounded on the :- East by : Site No.23 West by : Site No.20 North by : Private Property, South by : Road	Rs. 92,41,809/- (as on March 16, 2026)	Rs. 1,52,00, 000/- / Rs. 15,20, 000/-	April 06, 2026 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	April 23, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on the website (https://assets.matexauctions.com) of our auction agency Matex Technologies, The Mortgagors/ Noticees are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by April 15, 2026 before 05:00 P.M. else the secured asset(s) will be sold as per schedule.

The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before April 15, 2026 before 05:00 P.M. Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or before April 15, 2026 before 05:00 P.M. along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before April 15, 2026 before 05:00 P.M. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited' payable at Bangalore.

For any further clarifications in terms of inspection, Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, contact ICICI Bank Employee Phone No. 7304918084.

Please note that the Marketing agencies 1. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited, 2. Augeo Assets Management Private Limited 3. Matex Net Pvt. Ltd. 4. Finvin Estate Deal Technologies Pvt Ltd 5. Girnarsoft Pvt Ltd 6. Hecta Prop Tech Pvt Ltd 7. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd 8. Novel Asset Service Pvt Ltd 9. Nobroker Technologies Solutions Pvt Ltd have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date : March 21, 2026 Authorized Officer
Place: Bengaluru ICICI Bank Limited

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Asset Recovery Management Branch (ARMB): No.26-27, Raheja Towers, East Wing, 1st Floor, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001. Tel No. 080-25095087. e-mail : cs8191@pnb.bank.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

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The auction will be held on 07.04.2026 from 11.00 AM to 05.00 PM

Sl. No.	Branch Name, Customer ID A/c Name, A/c No., Dealing official Contact No.	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name(mortgagers of property(ies))	(A) Date of 13 (2) (B) Date of 13(4) (C) Type of Possession (D) Outstanding amount	A)Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount
1.	BO: AGS Layout (593500) **M/S Elite Corrugaters & M N Gowrishankar A/C - 5935008700000126, 593500EG00000017, 593500IC00000015 Mob No. : 9632588100**	All that hypothecated assets (Plant & Machinery) and all the assets created out of Bank finance and maintained in the unit and all that part and piece of the property (Industrial Land & Building) bearing No- 32/B, Sy No- 17/2, 17/3 & 17/4 situated at Avverahalli Industrial Area, Dabasapete 4th Phase, K G Srinivasapura Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore- 562111, admeasuring 65338 Sq Ft., Owned by M/S Elite Corrugaters represented by its Prop- Sri M N Gowrishankar. Bounded on: **East By:** KIADB Buffer, **West By:** Plot No- 32/A, **North By:** KIADB 15 Mtr wide Buffer & **South By:** KIADB 30Mtr wide Road No-4. **Details of Plant & Machinery** 1). 5 Ply Fully Automatic Corrugated Board Plant Line, (2). 5 Ply Semi-Automatic Stitching Machine, (3). 5 Ply Auto Folder Gluer, (4). 5 Ply Two Colour Printer, (5). 3TPH Wood Fried Boiler, (6). Elgi Screw Air Compressor, (7)Reel pellet trucks, (8). Hand Pellet Trucks-4 Nos, (9). Cold Mixing Machine Cap and other Electrical Installation including Transformer, cables and PDB Panels. (Lease Hold Right, Mortgage Has Been Created On The Basis Of Lease Cum Sale Agreement With Kiadb With 10 Years Of Lease Period, Sale Deed Is Yet To Be Executed.)	**(A) 30.07.2024 (B) 01.10.2024 (C) Physical (D) Rs. 8,50,76,214.45 as on 31-01-2026 plus further interest and other charges w.e.f. 01.02.2026**	A) Rs. 12,97,00,000/- (Land and Building and Plant & Machinery Together) Land and Building will not be sold separately B) Rs. 1,29,70,000/- C) Rs. 10,00,000/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:

1. The properties are being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"**
2. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.
3. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website **https://baanknet.com on 07.04.2026 @ 11 AM to 5 PM**
4. Platform **(https://baanknet.com)** for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider **M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd.** having its Registered office at **Unit 1, 3rd Floor, VIOS Commercial Tower, Near Wadala Truck Terminal, Wadala East. Mumbai-400037** (Helpdesk Number +91 8291220220, Email Id: support.baanknet@psballiance.com). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider's website https://baanknet.com This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SARFAESI RULES, 2002

Place : Bangalore **Sd/- AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER**
Date : 21.03.2026 **PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK (SECURED CREDITOR)**

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Swiatek stunned by 50th-ranked Linette

Iga Swiatek crashed out of round two of Miami Open as 50th-ranked Pole Magda Linette fought back for a 1-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory over the six-time Grand Slam champion. 2025 champion Swiatek, who won the Miami Open in 2022, suffered her first opening loss at a tournament since the 2021 WTA Finals.

TIME FOR RINKU TO REGAIN MOJO

Three years after breakthrough campaign for KKR, the batter has the opportunity to remind the world of his abilities

LAST 3 SEASONS

	Inns	Runs	Best	Strike rate
2025	11	206	38 not out	153.73
2024	11	168	26	148.67
2023	14	474	67 not out	149.52

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

THAT unforgettable last over bowled by Yash Dayal for Gujarat Titans at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad during the 2023 Indian Premier League (IPL) changed everything for Rinku Singh. Needing 28 off the last five balls, the left-hand batter went 6, 6, 6, 6 and 6 to script a memorable win for Kolkata Knight Riders, a sequence that will remain etched in memories of the fans forever.

Only a few months later he got an India call-up. Soon, he became an integral part of the T20I set up. After making his debut in the format against Ireland in Dublin on August 18, 2023, he featured in all 17 matches India played before the start of the 2024 T20 World Cup. With the 2024 IPL edition preceding the World Cup, another good show in the league could have cemented his place in the team but that didn't happen.

Unlike 2023, where he scored 474 runs from 14 innings with a strike rate of 149.52, Rinku could manage only 168 runs from 11 innings at a SR of 148.67 even as KKR went on to win their third title. The team management cited their preference for all-rounders over specialist batters as a reason for the southpaw's exclusion from the squad of 15. He, however, found a place in travelling reserves. "Whatever happened is fine. Rohit Bhaiya did not say anything special. He only said to just keep working hard. There is a World Cup again after two years. There is no need to worry too much," Rinku had said in an interview to a Hindi daily after the snub.

As the former India skipper told him, Rinku's chance did come when he found a place in the squad for the 2026 edition, which the co-hosts won to bag a record third title. With the management preferring a specific combination, Rinku once again got limited opportunities as he featured only in five matches scoring 24 runs.

If the below-par show on the field was not enough, the 28-year-old fought serious personal battles off the field with his father, battling liver cancer, first getting admitted in the ICU and then passing away during the tournament. The tragedy must have shaken him to the core but Rinku decided to stay with the team. He did take a short break to be by his father's side when his condition deteriorated and did the same in a gap of a few days to perform the last rites.

Post the turmoil in his life and after a winners' medal, Rinku once again has the chance to be the main man for his franchise. This will be his ninth season with the three-time champions and unlike the past, he will be one of the experienced campaigners for his team and could even be looked at as an option for leadership opportunities in the future.

"He has gone through a lot in the past few days but is determined to make it count in this IPL. He told me that during a brief conversation we had during one of his visits to Aligarh," Masooduz Zafar Amini, Rinku's childhood coach, told this daily. Amini, who played a key role in developing Rinku as a cricketer, said the personal problems could be one of the reasons behind his ward's not so impressive show in the World Cup but added Rinku's batting position usually did not give him time to settle in and score big.

"That's his role (finisher) and it hardly gives him an opportunity to spend some time at the crease. It's not easy to start hitting from the first ball but he has been doing that both for the country and KKR for years now. One needs to look that way as well. Now he is one of the few seniors in the side and I hope he gets to bat up the order," said the coach.

In the last season where he scored 206 runs from 11 innings, only thrice he batted at No 5 or above (two times at No 5 and one time at No 4). Six times he batted at No 6 and once he batted at No 7 and 8 respectively. Nonetheless, his position cannot be held completely responsible for his meagre returns as on quite a few occasions he came out to bat with at least seven overs remaining. Amini sounded confident when he said Rinku will change it this time around. "He is also in contention for leadership which shows the faith the management has in him. I am sure he will come good this season," signed off the coach.

Injured Knight Rana ruled out of upcoming IPL

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IN a big setback for Kolkata Knight Riders, pacer Harshit Rana was on Friday ruled out of the entire IPL 2026 owing to the ligament injury that he sustained during a warm-up match ahead of the recent T20 World Cup. The fast bowler suffered a ligament strain in his right knee during India's T20 World Cup warm-up game against South Africa.

"It is a big blow because Harshit Rana has been an integral part of this team for the last couple of seasons, also the championship season. Over the last year, he's really grown as a cricketer," KKR head coach Abhishek Nayar said, without giving a confirmed timeline for Rana's return to action. The KKR team think tank is now considering a replacement for Rana with Navdeep Saini, Akash Madhwal, Simarjeet Singh, Sandeep Warrier and KM Asif having taken trials and are playing practice matches. Nayar said they would make the announcement before the team departs for Mumbai to play their IPL 2026 opener against Mumbai Indians on March 29.

Harshit Rana

SLC issues NOCs to Chameera, Nissanka, Kamindu Mendis

Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) issued a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to Dushmantha Chameera, Pathum Nissanka, and Kamindu Mendis to participate in the IPL 2026 after the trio successfully completed its physical performance tests. Pacer Chameera and opener Nissanka are part of Delhi Capitals for the upcoming edition of the IPL, while all-rounder Kamindu Mendis has been retained by the Sunrisers Hyderabad. "At present, SLC is conducting an eight-week specialized physical training program for all nationally contracted players. This initiative aims to enhance players' physical performance standards in preparation for upcoming international assignments," the governing body said. However, Nuwan Thushara (Royal Challengers Bengaluru), Wanindu Hasaranga (Lucknow Super Giants), Eshan Malinga (SRH) and Matheesha Pathirana (Kolkata Knight Riders) will have to wait for their NOCs. "Hasaranga, Malinga, and Pathirana, who have requested NOCs to participate in IPL 2026, are yet to undergo the Physical Performance Test," the SLC noted.

Iyer targets IPL glory

Declaring that his "eye is on the trophy", Shreyas Iyer on Friday said Punjab Kings are focused on building strong camaraderie off the field ahead of the Indian Premier League 2026 season.Speaking at the franchise's jersey unveiling event in Mohali, Iyer stressed on the importance of team bonding during the early phase of the tournament. "This is the period where we live as a family for two months. The more time we spend together, the more we get to know each other. Now is the time where we build that camaraderie," Iyer said. "We spend most of our time in the game room, playing FIFA and other games. The planning and plotting for matches usually happens a day or two before the game, but building this bond off the field helps us get better results eventually," he added.

Anirban Ghosh of RSPB | FILE PIC

RSPB men win nail-biting final in TT nationals

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

JEET Chandra and Anirban Ghosh of Railways Sports Promotion Board (RSPB) held on to their nerves to edge past teammates Ronit Bhanja and Preyesh Raj S 3-2 in a nail-biting five-game doubles final of the 87th UTT Senior National Table Tennis Championships in Indore on Friday.

After Jeet and Anirban raced to a two-game lead their opponents clawed back. However, they managed to win the deciding game. The women's final saw Sutirtha Mukherjee and Kaushani Nath, also of the Railways, put up a composed performance to overcome Avisha Karmakar and Nandini Saha of AAI 3-1. Sutirtha and Kaushani combined consistency with sharp attacking play to close out the match in four games and lift the trophy. In the men's singles pre-quarterfinals, top seed Manav Thakkar survived a stern test against Sanil Shetty, winning in four games. However, SFR Snehit, Manush Shah, and Divyansh Srivastava bowed out. Harmeet Desai, incidentally, is the only surviving former national champion.

RESULTS: MEN: SINGLES: M Thakkar (PSPB) bt S Shetty (PSPB) 11-9, 11-3, 9-11, 13-11; K Chopda (Mah) bt SFR Snehit (Telg) 13-11, 6-11, 11-9, 7-11, 11-7; H Desai (PSPB) bt A Pal (RSPB) 6-11, 11-6, 11-8, 9-11, 13-11; A Bhattacharjee (WB) bt S Grover (Del) 11-6, 11-7, 10-12, 11-13, 11-6; R Albuquerque (Mah) bt N Mulye (Mah) 11-5, 14-12, 11-8; R Bhanja (RSPB) bt J Modi (PSPB) 11-1, 11-3, 4-11, 11-8; H. Neho (Miz) bt D Srivastava (PSPB) 4-11, 11-6, 11-6, 11-9; J Chandra (RSPB) bt M Shah (RBI) 11-7, 8-11, 11-7, 10-12, 11-4.

DOUBLES: FINAL: Jeet/Anirban(RSPB) bt Ronit/Preyesh(RSPB) 11-8, 11-6, 10-12, 1-11, 11-8.

WOMEN: SINGLES: Sreeja A (RBI) bt S Amrute (Mah) 13-11, 11-7, 6-11, 11-9; Y Ghorpade (PSPB) bt Trisha G (Asm) 111-7, 11-9, 11-4; S Saini (Har) bt Trupti P (Kar) 6-11, 11-9, 11-9, 11-9; Sutirtha M (RSPB) bt Avani T (UP) 11-5, 11-6, 11-8; Syndrela D (PSPB) bt Anannya B (iA&AD) 11-4, 11-4, 11-7; Yashini S (TN) bt Anusha K (RSPB) 11-6, 11-7, 6-11, 11-9; Divyanshi B (Mah) bt Jennifer V (Mah) 11-6, 5-11, 6-11, 11-9, 11-4; D Chitale (RBI) bt Tanishka K (Mar) 9-11, 11-5, 11-7, 11-4. Doubles: Final: Sutirtha/Kaushani (RSPB) bt Avisha/Nandini (AAI) 11-9, 7-11, 11-8, 11-5.

Tanvi sets up semifinal clash with Okuhara

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

YOUNGSTER Tanvi Sharma booked a spot in the semifinals of the Orleans Masters after beating Natsuki Nidaira of Japan in straight games on Friday.

The Indian won 21-14, 21-14 in the BWF World Tour Super 300 meet.

Tanvi, a world youth silver medallist, was guilty of making unforced errors in the early stages of the match and in the process was trailing 4-8 but she kept her composure to make a brilliant recovery, forcing her opponent to make mistakes by mixing her shots. As the game wore on, the Indian was playing with more confidence and finding pockets of spaces in Nidaira's half on regularity. She had turned the tables in no time to take an 11-8 lead heading into the first break. However, Nidaira, 10 years her senior, fought back to go in front soon after the break. But Tanvi upped her game to reel off five consecutive points to take the game by the throat. Two back-to-back unanswered smashes on either side of Nidaira was the highlight then. In no time, Tanvi went on to clinch the game.

Tanvi Sharma

The second game was close too, especially after the break. But Tanvi once again stepped up at the business end to win by a comfortable margin in the end. Tanvi will be up against another Japanese opponent in the last-four stage. She'll face Olympic medallist Nozomi Okuhara, who's the No 5 seed.

In their only meeting at the Syed Modi International last year, Tanvi had come back from behind to get the better of the experienced Okuhara in three games.

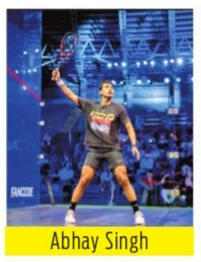
Meanwhile, Indian men's doubles pairing of Hariharan Amsakarunan and MR Arjun's campaign ended. The pair lost 21-12, 22-20 in 35 minutes against No 3 seeds Leo Rolly Carnando and Bagas Maulana of Indonesia.

Later, Isharani Baruah of Assam outplayed (21-9, 15-7) Malvika Bansod in what was an all-Indian women's singles quarterfinal contest. It was one-way traffic in the opening game with Isharani dominating the proceedings. Malvika, who's still looking to regain strength after big injury last year, retired mid-game in the second essay when Isharani was leading 15-7.

Abhay, Anahat enter semis, Joshna out

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

SECOND seed Abhay Singh and fourth seed Veer Chotrani produced dominant performances to storm into the semifinals of the men's singles event of the JSW Indian Open in Mumbai on Friday.



Abhay Singh

Singh will take on Malaysia's Ameeshenraj Chandaran while Chotrani is set to face another Malaysian challenger, Sanjay Jeeva.

Singh was in excellent touch as he brushed aside Egypt's Yassin Shohdy 3-1 (11-8, 7-11, 11-5, 11-7). Singh won the first set, before conceding the second set.

In the deciding set, Singh quickly regained control with his aggressive play and sharp court coverage.

Earlier, Chotrani produced a composed performance to defeat Egypt's Mohamed Sharaf 3-0 (11-9, 11-8, 11-2).In the women's quarterfinals, top seed Anahat Singh and unseeded compatriot Tanvi Khanna won their respective quarterfinal matches but veteran Joshna Chinappa stumbled. She lost to Egypt's Nadien El Hammamy 1-3.

EXPRESS READ

India women to play one-off Test, 3 ODIs in SA in December

JOHANNESBURG: The Indian women's team will play a one-off Test during its tour of South Africa later this year, which will also feature a three-match ODI series, Cricket South Africa said. The Test will be held in Gqeberha from December 20 to 23, while the ODIs are scheduled from December 9 to 15 across Potchefstroom, Bloemfontein and Cape Town. The T20Is will be played from March 18 to 23 in Kimberley, Benoni and KuGompo City.

ISL: Rahul brace gives Odisha big win, Mumbai stun Bagan

CHENNAI: A brace from Rahul KP powered Odisha FC to a 4-1 victory over NorthEast United FC in Guwahati, while Mumbai City FC stunned defending champions Mohun Bagan Super Giants with a 1-0 win in Kolkata in the Indian Super League on Friday. Apart from Rahul (6', 65'), Subham Bhattacharya (24') and Bekey Oram (68' OG) were the goalscorers for the visitors Macarton Nickson (10') was the lone scorer for NEUFC.

NZ dominate South Africa for 2-1 T20I series lead

AUCKLAND: A miserly bowling display helped give New Zealand a 2-1 lead in their T20 series against South Africa with an eight-wicket win on Friday in Auckland. Speedster Lockie Ferguson conceded just nine runs from his four overs in the first innings as South Africa were restricted to 136-9 at a postage stamp Eden Park ground renowned for 200-plus scores. Tom Latham guided the hosts to victory with 22 balls remaining, making 63.

FOOTBALL

Trent's WC hopes take a hit after failing to make England squad

AGENCIES @ London

TRENT Alexander-Arnold is running out of time to play at the World Cup after failing to make the latest England squad picked by Thomas Tuchel.

The Real Madrid right back was left out of a 35-man group on Friday, with manager Tuchel preferring Newcastle's Tino Livramento, Tottenham's Djed Spence and Bayer Leverkusen's Jarell Quansah — typically a center back — as his options in that position. "I know it's a tough one, I know it's a big name, a huge talent and a big career," Tuchel said, "but I feel I know what Trent can give us, and decided still to stick with the players who were in camp with us."

Tuchel said he felt it was important to back the players who had helped England qualify for the World Cup and made a good impression on him in September, October and November training camps.

"I know very well what Trent can offer us," said Tuchel, who had to neutralize Alexander-Arnold — a former Liverpool player — when coaching Chelsea in the Premier League. "I have played many times against him and suffered when he played against my teams. I know very well about his strengths."

For his final camp before naming his World Cup squad, Tuchel has picked an enlarged group, with some players who have had a big workload this season not joining up with the squad until after the game against Uruguay on March 27.

Some will then be released before another friendly at Wembley Stadium — against Japan — on March 31.

Manchester United pair Harry Maguire and Kobbie Mainoo earned recalls along with Dominic Calvert-Lewin, who has 10 goals for Leeds in the league this season, while Everton midfielder James Garner and Brighton goalkeeper Jason Steele received first call-ups. The World Cup in the United States, Mexico and Canada starts in June.

Chiesa gets Italy call-up

FLORENCE: Liverpool forward Federico Chiesa has been called up by Italy for the first time in almost two years for the upcoming World Cup playoffs, with the Azzurri desperate to avoid missing a third consecutive edition.

Injured Ronaldo misses friendlies

LISBON: Cristiano Ronaldo, who is nursing a hamstring injury, was left out of the Portugal squad to play pre-World Cup friendlies against tournament co-hosts Mexico and the US later this month. The 41-year-old has not played for Al-Nassr since the end of February but Portugal coach Roberto Martinez insisted that Ronaldo's participation at what would be a record sixth World Cup was "not at risk".

Himalayan glaciers melting fast

THREAT TO INDUS, GANGA & BRAHMAPUTRA BASINS

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

HIMALAYAN glaciers are melting at an accelerated rate, raising alarm for India's major river basins — Indus, Ganga and Brahmaputra — which support over 650 million people.

These basins contain over 74 per cent of the total number and area of glaciers in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH), one of the world's largest natural water reserves.

A latest report on HKH glaciers highlights the rapid rate of loss over the past three decades, which may severely impact seasonal water availability and long-term flows into these river systems. The water from these glaciers acts as a buffer against drought, influences hydropower generation and shapes the resilience of downstream agriculture and economies. The report, titled 'Changing Dynamics of Glaciers in the Hindu Kush Himalaya Region from 1990 to 2020', notes that these river basins have experienced the largest absolute area losses, underscoring their critical vulnerability.

The study was prepared by the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), an intergovernmental agency based in Kathmandu dedicated to conserving mountain ecosystems.

The HKH region is home to over 63,700 glaciers, covering nearly 55,782 sq km and storing around 5,736 cubic km of ice reserves, based on 2020 Landsat satellite imagery.

The study notes that glacier loss in the HKH is widespread and accelerating, threatening the sources of at least ten major Asian river systems that collectively support the food, water, energy and livelihood security of about 2 billion people. It also increases the risk of glacial lake outburst floods (GLOFs). Between 1990 and 2020, HKH glaciers lost about 12% of their total area and 9% of their ice reserves. The report adds that limited monitoring hampers intergovernmental cooperation and the development of holistic conservation policies, especially given the accelerating rate of glacier loss.

Melting trends

The study categorises glaciers into two types — those less than 0.5 sq km (smaller glaciers) and those exceeding 10 sq km (larger glaciers). Smaller glaciers, though more numerous, cover less area and are shrinking faster, especially those facing east and southeast and located on steeper slopes. This poses an immediate risk of localised water shortages and intensifying hazards.

In contrast, larger glaciers are more susceptible to long-term shrinkage due to the ongoing climate crisis.

The heavily glaciated Karakoram range, which contains 18 of the 25 largest glaciers in the region, remains vulnerable to long-term risks affecting water, food, energy and livelihoods, with wider regional implications. Observations indicate that glacier losses are concentrated below 6,000 metres above sea level across all major river basins and sub-ranges, affecting both seasonal water availability and long-term river flows.

Additionally, glacier losses are spatially concentrated in the southern and eastern parts of the region. The Hengduan Shan and parts of the eastern Tibetan mountains have recorded the highest percentage losses, with some areas losing up to 33% of glacier area in just three decades. Conversely, the highest concentration of total glacier area loss is observed in the central and western Himalayas and the Nyainqêntanglha range.

Limited monitoring

Human-induced climate change has significantly impacted HKH glaciers. Many are losing mass at increasing rates, altering runoff patterns and contributing to the expansion of glacial lakes, which in turn heightens GLOF risks and threatens long-term water stability. Although countries have begun monitoring glacier changes, coverage remains limited, posing challenges for the region.

The first glacier-wide field measurements in India were conducted in 1974 on the Gara Glacier in Himachal Pradesh by the Geological Survey of India, laying the foundation for understanding glacier–climate interactions. With advances in satellite technology and remote sensing, monitoring expanded through national programmes and international collaborations.

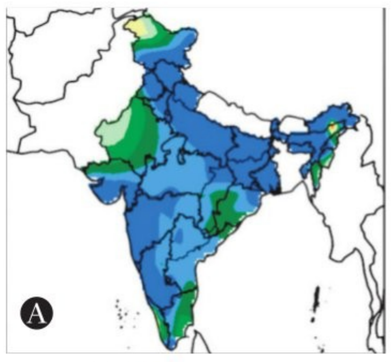
However, ICIMOD scientists note that large parts of HKH glaciers remain unmonitored. To date, only 38 glaciers have been observed out of approximately 63,700. These observations are unevenly distributed, underscoring the need for sustained investment and coordinated regional strategies.

Losing thickness

Recent observations show that most Himalayan glaciers are experiencing a negative mass balance, meaning they are shrinking over time. Glacier mass balance remains a key scientific indicator. Analysis shows that mean mass loss has nearly doubled from the pre-2000 period (1974–1999) to the post-2000 period (2000–2023), indicating a sharp decline in glacier storage. Annual mass loss has intensified to about 9 cm of water equivalent per decade.

Since September 1974, a total of 302 annual glacier-wide mass balance measurements have been recorded across 38 glaciers. Of these, only 32 years (11%) showed positive mass balance, while 270 years (89%) recorded negative mass balance.

Of the 38 glaciers studied, 17 measurement series have been discontinued, with some lasting only 10 to 12 years. This has led to uneven data distribution and methodological inconsistencies. Currently, 19 series remain active, including Batal, Bara Shigri, Chhota Shigri, Drang Drung, Gangju La, Gepang Gath, Hoksar, Khardung, Mera, Pensilungpa, Phuche, Pokalde, Rikha Samba, Sutri Dhaka, Samudra Tapu, Thana, Trambau, West Changri Nup and Yala. Two glaciers — Kolahoi and Naradu — have recently been brought back under observation.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Summer monsoon may return to **mid-Pliocene** level by 2100 : Study

PRASANJEET SARKAR @ Rourkela

THE Indian summer monsoon may change under the impact of global warming, potentially returning to conditions similar to the mid-Pliocene era, according to research by the National Institute of Technology–Rourkela (NIT-R) in collaboration with IISER-Mohali. The mid-Pliocene occurred around three million years ago. In scientific terms, it is a period in Earth's history when temperatures were 2–3.2 degrees Celsius higher than today. The Earth is expected to experience similar warming by 2100. According to the Encyclopaedia of Paleoclimatology and Ancient Environments, the mid-Pliocene was very similar to the modern world.

Findings of the study titled 'Assessing the Changes in Indian Summer Monsoon in Warm Climates: Mid-Pliocene and Future Projection by the End of 21st Century' by Prof Nagaraju Chilukoti, Dr Karishma Dahiya and Prof Raju Attada, project a stronger future monsoon over the Indian subcontinent under a global warming scenario. The study was published in the International Journal of Climatology.

Amid rising global temperatures due to climate change, there is a contradiction in the results of various global studies. While some suggest that rising temperatures may reduce rainfall, others indicate that monsoon rainfall could become stronger.

To bridge this gap, the study analysed how the monsoon behaved during warmer periods in Earth's past to understand how it might behave in the future.

The study showed that monsoon rainfall over India was higher during the mid-Pliocene, and a similar increase is expected in a warmer future climate. However, the reasons behind the increase in rainfall differ in the two cases. In the mid-Pliocene, stronger winds and more active atmospheric circulation led to increased rainfall. In the future scenario, the increase is expected because a warmer atmosphere can hold more moisture.

It also found that though monsoon precipitation rate will increase in a future warm climate, the rate of increase is slightly lower compared to the past warm climate. The research team next plans to study the influence of large weather systems forming far north of India on rainfall patterns in the region.

Explaining the findings, Chilukoti, an assistant professor in the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at NIT-R, said the team observed that a warmer climate will likely increase moisture in the atmosphere over the Indian Ocean and the Indian landmass, which could strengthen the movement of moisture toward India.

"The team noted that the peak monsoon rainfall month may shift from July to August. These findings are important for climate preparedness, agriculture, and water management in India and nearby regions," he added.

Spatial pattern of JJAS mean precipitation (mm/day/°C) change over the Indian region in (a) past and in (b) future

The study found that the simulated moisture over the Indian region is higher in a future warm climate compared to the mid-Pliocene period. Similarly, enhanced surface and tropospheric temperatures in the region were observed.

"From a dynamical perspective, large-scale low-level wind circulation changes and convection over the Indian subcontinent are simulated to be stronger in the mid-Pliocene compared to the future warm climate. Moisture budget analysis reveals that during the past warm climate, both thermodynamic and dynamic components contributed to intensified Indian summer monsoon conditions," the study added.

The study used the mean of six models from the Coupled Model Intercomparison Project Phase 6. Variables such as precipitation, surface air temperature, precipitable water, vertical wind, and zonal and meridional winds were analysed. The mid-Pliocene and projected future climate (2071–2100) under a high-emissions scenario were examined. For past periods, the last 100 years of datasets were considered, whereas for the future, 30 years of data were used. Dahiya is a research graduate with NIT-R while Prof Attada is an associate professor with Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences of IISER Mohali.

7TH NATIONAL REPORT

ONLY TWO OUT OF 23 NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY TARGETS ON TRACK

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

ONLY two of the 23 national biodiversity targets (NBTs) of India are on track despite being aligned with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the 7th National Report to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has revealed. However, the government has claimed that all 23 targets are 'on track to achieve.' The report, submitted to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, assessed progress towards the 2030 global biodiversity targets.

The report is based on 142 national indicators mapped against the 23 NBTs, prepared with coordination from 33 ministries, states, statutory authorities, research institutions and other stakeholders.

Of the 23 NBTS, only biodiversity-inclusive land and sea-use planning (NBT1) and ecosystem restoration (NBT2) are clearly identified as being on track. For most others, the report focussed on policies, programmes and ongoing initiatives rather than providing clear projections on whether they will be achieved by the end of the decade.

It highlighted positive developments such as increased forest cover, ecosystem restoration and the recovery of certain species such as tigers and rhinos. The report also outlined achievements in wildlife conservation, agrobiodiversity conservation and biodiversity management.

India's conservation efforts include 58 tiger reserves, 33 elephant reserves, 18 biosphere reserves, 106 national parks and 574 wildlife sanctuaries. India also submitted its First National Report (NR1) on the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the air and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilisation (ABS).

The NR1 said the country has made significant progress in implementing the Protocol, with its National Biodiversity Authority issuing over 5,600 agreements under the Access and Benefit Sharing framework, resulting in disbursement of ₹140 crore. There are also 276,653 Biodiversity Management Committees and 272,648 People's Biodiversity Registers promoting community engagement and biodiversity practices.

The Explorer's signals from the Eastern Ghats

USHA PERI @ Visakhapatnam

The tiger being released; catching a nap in a grassland

WHEN a young male tiger was released into the forests of the Rampachodavaram division within the landscape of Papikonda National Park in Andhra Pradesh on February 14, 2026, it quietly marked a milestone in wildlife conservation in the Telugu states.

For the first time in the conservation history of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, a tiger in the wild began to be systematically monitored through a radio collar and very high frequency (VHF) telemetry.

For forest officials and wildlife researchers, the device fitted around the animal's neck has become a rare window into the hidden rhythms of the Eastern Ghats forests. Weighing about 1.5 kg against the tiger's nearly 200-kg body weight, the collar has caused no discomfort and the animal has behaved normally since its release, according to forest officials and wildlife experts familiar with the monitoring process.

The tiger, estimated to be around three and a half years old, had earlier drawn attention after travelling nearly 650 km from the forests of Tadoba in Maharashtra through parts of Telangana before entering Andhra Pradesh earlier this year. After being captured in Konaseema district following weeks of tracking, the animal was later released into the Papikonda landscape.

Since then, the tiger, aptly named "Explorer" by the forest department, has begun doing what young adult male tigers naturally do: move.

For about a week after release, the animal largely remained within the national park. Later, consistent with dispersal behaviour typical of young males seeking territory and a mate, it began exploring the surrounding landscape. Monitoring data indicates that it has already covered more than 150 km since mid-February.

Each movement is carefully tracked through signals from the collar received by handheld VHF receivers, supported by field teams that monitor ground evidence. According to highly placed sources in the department, the continuous tracking has provided valuable insights into how large carnivores navigate the complex mosaic of forests, hills and human-dominated spaces in the Eastern Ghats.

So far, the tiger's behaviour has remained cautious and typical of a wild animal. Collar data and field observations indicate that it largely avoids human settlements. During the daytime, it tends to remain in forested hillocks and dense cover. When it moves at night, it occasionally preys on cattle while exploring new areas, behaviour wildlife experts describe as normal for a dispersing tiger in unfamiliar terrain. Importantly, the animal has consistently avoided direct encounters with people. Forest officials say compensation has been assured for livestock owners who have lost cattle, and payments will be disbursed swiftly. Experts note that such support systems are essential in maintaining local acceptance when wildlife returns to landscapes where it has been absent for decades.

Giving the wild a chance to recover is not just about protecting a species. It can also support livelihoods through tourism, employment and conservation-linked opportunities - An expert

Beyond the tiger itself, the monitoring exercise has strengthened the department's technological capacity. Teams are now routinely using tools such as VHF telemetry and thermal drones, building skills that will be crucial if tiger populations begin to recover in the Eastern Ghats.

Yet conservationists quietly acknowledge a difficult possibility that despite behaving exactly as a wild tiger should by avoiding people and moving cautiously through forests, the animal may one day be captured again and confined to captivity, not because of any fault of its own, but because tolerance for wildlife can sometimes be fragile.

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DAY'S DIARY

End of Emergency

The 21-month state of Emergency in India, which began on June 25, 1975, was officially revoked on this day in 1977

CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION

The Constitution of India allows the President to declare a state of emergency on the advice of the Prime Minister and cabinet of ministers

IMPOSITION

The 1975 Emergency was applied across the country at the behest of the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of the Indian National Congress

THE OBJECTION

It was widely condemned for its curtailment of civil liberties, arrests of Indira Gandhi's political opponents, and censorship of the press

Eid-ifying Corners

PG 3

Enjoy the festive atmosphere this weekend by cuddling up with friends and family at the baithak-style concerts becoming popular in B'luru

SEATED AND READY!

Young people, often without a classical music background, find baithaks less intimidating than typical concerts

Upcoming baithaks:

- **March 21**: A hybrid baithak concert with sufi music and old Bollywood classics. Tickets: @indofuzonofficial, Instagram
- **March 29**: A semi-classical performance. Tickets: @aashore_bangalore, Instagram.
- **April 12**: Catch the renowned Trichur Brothers performing in a low-key setting. Tickets: @nada_bindu, instagram

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

WITH Ugadi, Gudi Padwa, and Nowruz just behind us, and Eid al-Fitr today, Bengalureans are soaking in the festive atmosphere perfuming the air. Forgoing standing-room-only gigs and typical kacheris, youngsters are finding their way into the cosy living rooms of classical music enthusiasts where musicians perform for small groups. 10 to 25 people gathered, some on mats, legs folded, sometimes perched on stairs or a sofa's arm – focussed entirely on each note that leaves the musicians' lips.

Many of these baithaks are being hosted in areas that don't see frequent concerts, like Bellandur, Haralur, or, as senior manager Shreejon Biyani's favourite organisers, Nada Bindu, does – at the homes of whoever volunteers, anywhere in the city. "Concerts, especially in Bengaluru, demand a lot – travel, parking and then the crowd. When you return, you're exhausted. But this is a serene experience. You find people who are there because of the music they love, not for a star. You hardly see people leaving midway either," he points out.

For artistes like Radhika Kumar, a singer in the band Indofuzon, which has been taking their baithak-inspired concert across the world, the beauty of the format is the intimacy between performer and listener. "The audience becomes a part of me, because they sit close, react to every line and are in complete sync with every hum. It's not a stage performance where you are being observed; this is a shared experience. We pause between songs, we share personal memories...people want that kind of connection," she explains.

Having grown up in cities like Lucknow and Kolkata, immersed in this intimacy with music, hosts like Ayat's Vishnupriya Srivastava and Aashore's Purbani Das started their baithaks as a way to recreate that culture in the city they now call home. "At home (Kolkata), people would practice some sort of art form – play an instrument, sing, write poetry and come together to present their art over food. I didn't have a circle like that here," reveals Das. Hoping to encourage this sense of community, Das also serves up a homely meal after concerts.

Of course, Karnataka, too, has had a culture of at-home kacheris, but often limited to people in the know – music gurus and families with classical music legacies. With the word about these new baithaks spreading on social media, Chitkala Sharma, who founded Nada Bindu with a group of classical music students, notes, "Chamber-style Carnatic concerts are usually very private, even though free public concerts happen often. The major difference with this being open to everyone is that it opens up conversations, and you get to meet interesting people. Those traditional home concerts were also for the patronage of classical arts – we need to revive it a little."

Curious young people, often with no background in classical music, end up attending baithaks, which feel more accessible than a typical classical concert. Srivastava took this a step further, curating each show with the aim to break misconceptions about classical music that followers shared. "One impression was that classical music is intimidating because it has too many scales. So I had our performer explain each raag. She improvised the raag, talked about her gharana and taught people how to keep taal (beat) too, so people left with a sense of understanding," she explains, adding with a smile, "Now, I see people coming back again and again."

BALA CHAUHAN

A scarved woman pushing a wheelbarrow effortlessly with a sipper in her mouth and a broad smile across her face beams from within a small frame. A used teabag is the wheelbarrow and small bits of paper pasted together complete the artistry of the happy moment. **Giridhar Khasnis**' collages are small, fascinating narratives made out of straws, dried flowers, wrappers and whatever bits he lays his hands on. Along with a pair of scissors and a glue stick, the collagist creates a fascinating mosaic. Each with its own story.

Khasnis wears many hats. A former banker, a senior art writer, curator, columnist, photographer, and the author of Kannada micro fiction. With collages, he says, he began by doodling on discarded visiting cards about three decades ago, as a banker.

"Visitors would leave their cards behind; meetings would generate small stacks. I began collecting them and scribbling on the blank backs, pasting fragments from old magazines, just to see how they would shape up. Initially a playful pastime, it slowly became a meditative engagement. I graduated to larger surfaces, such as discarded postcards, invitations, greeting cards, etc. but I preferred the intimacy of the small format. It fits comfortably in the palm and demands attention. You can be dramatic and adventurous even within a postcard, but you can also generate gentle rhythms, poetic chronicles, and abstract formations. You can hear the whispers, enjoy the tactile experience. Small is indeed beautiful," says Khasnis.

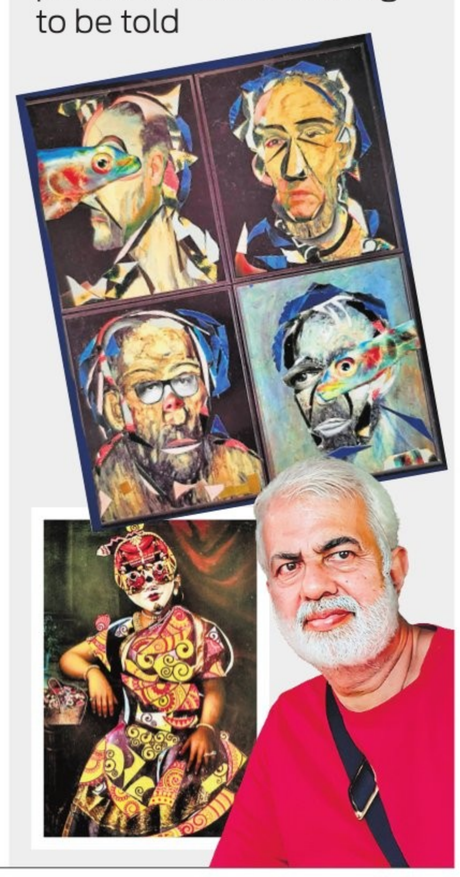
Though paper-on-paper remains his preferred real estate, he enjoys disruptions. "A tea bag offers stains no brush can create. A wrapper carries traces of desire and disposal. These elements infuse life to the collage," he says.

Khasnis has studied artists like Picasso and Braque who inserted everyday materials into painting. But the artist he really admires is Kurt Schwitters. "He refused hierarchies of material. That democratic impulse resonates strongly with me. A torn eyebrow from a fashion magazine, a newspaper headline, a faded postage stamp are pieces that have lived before they reach me. I don't create them; I negotiate with them. By adding, peeling off, sticking, rotating, pressing till a satisfactory image emerges. What keeps me engaged is the uncertainty. Two scraps may suddenly 'click,' and that moment of alignment is pure delight," adds Khasnis.

The excitement that began on the back of a visiting card has not faded. "It has deepened into a daily ritual of cutting, arranging, pasting, waiting, discovering. For me, collage is not about turning waste into beauty. It is about allowing fragments to find new relationships – and reminding myself that even the smallest surface can still hold surprise," says the artist.

The Beauty in Surprise

For B'luru collagist Giridhar Khasnis, tea bags, leaves, petals and stray wrappers are all pieces of stories waiting to be told



CITY READ

College students host sound-based arts experience

Kivi Kodi, a sound-focused arts event, was held at Angala, Cox Town on Friday. Organised by fourth-year students of Communication Studies, Mount Carmel College, Vasanth Nagar, the event brought together eight sound practitioners, musicians, and artists for performances and workshops showcasing interactive live looping, sound healing, poetry, sound walks, and more.

Eid dinner features classic Awadhi, Mughlai dishes

A special Eid dinner will be served at By the Blue, Grand Mercure Bangalore, Koramangala, on March 21 from 7pm to 11pm. The festive menu begins with soups, followed by rich main courses like koh-e-awadh and kofta-e-khas served with traditional pardha nashin biryani and desserts like shahi tukda and kheer malai. It is priced at ₹3500 plus taxes for two. For reservations, call 90083 00446.

FOCUS FEATURE AN SMD INITIATIVE

Indian Academy Spreads Cyber Safety Awareness in KGF Village

IAGI
Indian Academy Group of Institutions
IA School of Management Studies
"Cyber Safety: OTP & Fraud Awareness Training"
on 20th March 2026

The Indian Academy Group of Institutions organized a "Cyber Safety: OTP & Fraud Awareness Training" program at Gonamakanahalli village near Kolar Gold Fields on March 20, 2026, under the National Service Scheme (NSS).

Conducted by the IA School of Management Studies and Indian Academy College of Nursing, the initiative aimed to educate rural communities about the growing risks of cyber fraud. NSS student volunteers played a vital role in delivering the awareness program in an engaging and relatable manner. Through skits, role plays, and practical demonstrations, they highlighted how fraudsters exploit OTPs and mislead individuals through fake calls, messages, and digital scams.

The interactive format of the session encouraged villagers to actively participate, ask questions, and share their own experiences, making the program both informative and impactful. The students simplified complex digital safety concepts, ensuring that even those with limited exposure to technology could understand and apply the precautions in their daily lives.

Chairman Dr. Somasekhar Thummala emphasized the importance of digital awareness in today's technology-driven world. He noted that educating rural communities about cyber safety is a social responsibility and a crucial step towards preventing financial fraud.

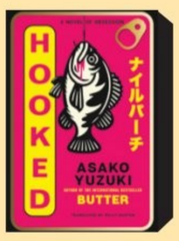
The initiative was guided by Director Dr. Reena Shyam and Principal Prof. Shiyamala Rani T, who appreciated the dedication and enthusiasm of the student volunteers. NSS Officer Prof. Afzal Basha ensured smooth coordination of the program and encouraged students to actively contribute to community welfare.

Villagers expressed their appreciation for the initiative, stating that such programs are highly beneficial in helping them stay alert and protect themselves from cyber fraud. The program also strengthened the bond between educational institutions and rural communities, reinforcing the role of youth in driving awareness and social transformation at the grassroots level.

BOOK NOOK

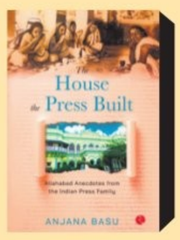
My Dead Flowers
by Buku Sarkar

These are poems that reveal themselves not only in verse — hurried jottings on paper — but as photographs, each 'a reminder / there's nothing left'.



Hooked
by Asako Yuzuki

From the author of the international bestseller, *Butter*, comes a chilling and perceptive novel about obsession, female friendship and the slow unraveling of two lives.



The House The Press Built
by Anjana Basu

This is the story of Tagore's first publisher — the man they called a legend in printing. Having learnt his trade at The Pioneer, Chintamoni Ghosh founded the Indian Press on June 4, 1884 in Allahabad when he was just thirty years old.

Becoming An Artist
by Scott Christian Sava

The book is about how we can enjoy the process of making art and let go of perfection and self-doubt and the fear of failure by learning to be okay with where we are on our own individual artistic journey.

PEEK-A-BOO

A tourist shields her face from the bright summer sun as she captures memories at Ambedkar Veedhi, Cubbon Park | **VINOD KUMAR T**

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

JATADHARA (Telugu)

A supernatural mystery thriller that blends ancient Indian folklore with modern-day rationalism, set against the backdrop of the sacred Padmanabhaswamy Temple in Kerala. The film explores the conflict between science, faith and the eternal struggle between divinity and greed.

Cast: Sudheer Babu Posani, Sonakshi Sinha, Divya Khossla

- **Watch on:** ZEE5

BORDER 2 (Hindi)

Young Indian fighters are prepared to protect their homeland from a greater threat during the 1971 Indo-Pak war.

Cast: Varun Dhawan, Ahan Shetty, Sunny Deol

- **Watch on:** Netflix

FOREIGN

THE HOUSEMAID (English)

Hoping for a fresh start, a young woman becomes a live-in maid for a wealthy couple who harbour sinister secrets.

Cast: Sydney Sweeney, Amanda Seyfried, Brandon Sklenar

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

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FITBIT

SMART SNACKING: HERE ARE BEST PROTEIN OPTIONS TO POWER YOUR WORKDAY

That mid-afternoon slump is all too familiar. Energy dips, focus fades, and the easiest option often ends up being a packet of chips or another cup of coffee. While these may offer a quick fix, they rarely provide sustained energy. A better approach lies in choosing snacks that are rich in protein, helping you stay alert, satisfied and productive through the workday.

WHY PROTEIN MATTERS DURING WORK HOURS:

Protein plays a key role in maintaining steady energy levels. It is digested slowly, providing a more consistent source of fuel, while also promoting satiety, reducing the urge to snack frequently on low-nutrient foods. In addition, protein supports muscle health and helps maintain concentration. For those with long desk hours, this balance of energy and focus can make a noticeable difference in daily performance.

EASY VEGETARIAN PROTEIN SNACKS TO CARRY

Incorporating protein into your snack routine does not require elaborate preparation. Simple, accessible options can be just as effective

- **Roasted chickpeas (chana):** Crunchy, flavourful and rich in both protein and fibre, they make for an easy, portable snack.
- **Greek yoghurt:** Thicker and higher in protein than regular curd, it pairs well with fruits or seeds for added nutrition.
- **Nuts and seeds:** Almonds, walnuts, pumpkin seeds and sunflower seeds provide a combination of protein, healthy fats and essential minerals.
- **Paneer cubes:** Lightly seasoned or grilled, paneer offers a convenient and protein-rich option.
- **Hummus with vegetable sticks:** A balanced mix of protein and fibre, ideal for sustained energy.
- **Sprouted moong salad:** Fresh, light and nutrient-dense sprouts support digestion while adding protein to your diet.
- **Roasted soya chunks:** High in plant protein and easy to prepare, they are both filling and versatile.

HOMEMADE OR STORE-BOUGHT?

Homemade snacks allow better control over ingredients, helping you limit excess salt, sugar and unhealthy fats. However, store-bought options can be useful on busy days. When choosing packaged snacks, it is important to read labels carefully. Opt for products with simple ingredients, lower added sugars and a good protein content.

By Madhura P Behki, nutrition expert, Cult — a fitness and wellness platform

QUICKFIX

OAT FLOUR PROTEIN BROWNIE

Contributed by **Aayushi YS,** Bengaluru

INGREDIENTS

- **Oat flour:** 1 cup
- **Chocolate protein powder:** ½ cup
- **Cocoa powder:** 2 tbsp
- **Eggs**: 2
- **Peanut butter:** ¼ cup
- **Honey or maple syrup:** 1/3 cup

METHOD

- Preheat oven to 180°C and line a small baking tin.
- Mix oat flour, protein powder and cocoa powder in a bowl.
- Whisk eggs, peanut butter and honey until smooth.
- Combine wet and dry ingredients to form a thick batter.
- Pour into tin and smooth the top.
- Bake for 20–22 minutes until just set; cool before slicing.

EXPRESS CONNECT

HAVE A RECIPE OR ART WORK TO SHARE, OR A QUESTION TO ASK?

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WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Echoes of Devotion

Immerse in a morning of music and verse as the all-women collective Santvani presents Tori Rang Rachi. Drawing from the works of Kabir, Akka Mahadevi and Meera, the set brings together poetry, melody and quiet reflection. Entry to the event is free.

WHEN: March 22, 8am
WHERE: Bandstand, Cubbon Park

Island Notes

Experience an evening of global sounds as Ziskakan performs live. The set brings together Creole, jazz and blues influences in an open-air setting.

WHEN: March 21, 7.30pm
WHERE: The Bay at Ecoworld, Bellandur
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Laugh Lines

Enter the world of Punyakoti and its stream of jokes in this Kannada stand-up set by Sonu Venugopal. The performance draws from everyday moments and familiar observations, offering a light, easy-paced evening of humour and fun.

WHEN: March 21, 5pm
WHERE: MLR Convention Centre, Whitefield
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Cultural canvas

Explore Karnataka's heritage through Karnataka Vaibhava which blends dance forms like Bharatanatyam, Kuchipudi and Odissi. The dance production choreographed by Dr Sanjay Shantaram has music by Praveen D Rao.

WHEN: March 22, 6pm
WHERE: Modern art gallery, Palace Road
CALL: 080 2234 2338

Pawn Play

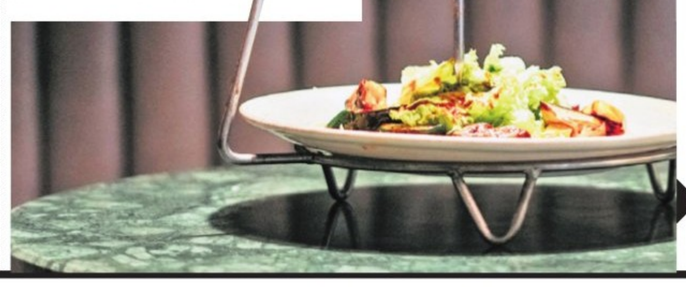
Step into Chess Cafe, a friendly meetup by the Bangalore Chess Club for players of all levels. Enjoy casual matches, fun chess variants and a relaxed cafe vibe. Beginners are also welcome.

WHEN: March 21, 10am
WHERE: Qube Cafe, Jayanagar
CALL: 63643 22494

Seasonal Plates

Explore lighter, seasonal flavours as Toscano introduces its summer menu. The selection focuses on fresh produce, cheeses and balanced combinations suited for warmer days. Salads and light bites take focus, alongside a range of coolers.

WHEN: Till March 31, 11am onwards
WHERE: Toscano, Vittal Mallya Road
DETAILS: toscano.world



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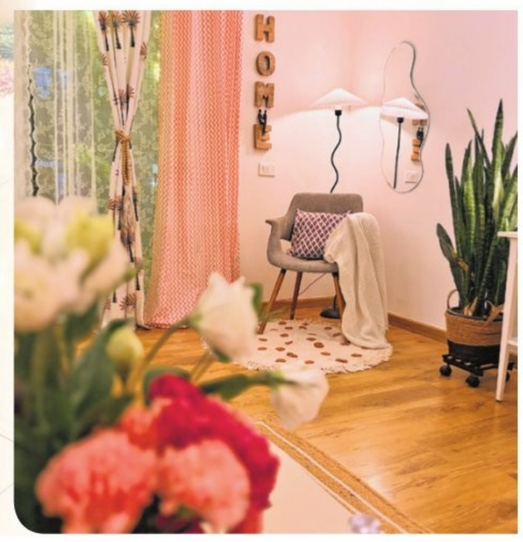
EID-IFYING CORNERS

As Eid celebrations begin, city designers share simple and thoughtful decor ideas to transform everyday homes into guest-ready spaces

SRUTHI HEMACHANDRAN



EID is here, and you are probably thinking about how to make your home feel a little more special and welcoming. The good news is, it doesn't take a complete overhaul. A few thoughtful changes done right can turn everyday spaces into something that feels festive and full of life. "Accessorising a room is what actually brings it to life. Furniture gives you the structure, but accessories are what make a space feel complete and personal. Without them, even a well-designed room can feel flat or unfinished. Things like cushions, rugs, lighting, artwork or even small decor accents add layers, texture and warmth," says home decor stylist Stuti Gupta.

This becomes especially important during Eid, when homes are readied to host and gather. Thoughtful additions like soft lighting, fresh lines or subtle accents can transform a space without overwhelming it. Designers agree that creating impact doesn't always require scale. Bengaluru-based architect Snehal Panicker suggests focusing on quick, practical changes. "A splash of colour by adding colourful pillows or throws, a festive glow with fairy lights and floral accents with fresh flower arrangements can make a huge difference", she says, pointing to updates that are both budget-friendly and effective.

Lighting, in particular, carries the mood of the celebration. Instead of relying on a single bright source, layering different types of lighting can create depth and warmth. Lamps placed near seating areas, paired with candles or subtle string lights help build a softer and more inviting atmosphere for guests.

For Mohammed Salman, co-founder of Tint Tone and Shade Interiors and an interior design content creator, the stress shifts to layout and mood. His approach is more towards creating a setting that's open, comfortable and easy to move through. "Comfortable seating is always the starting point. Along with that, warm lighting, a clean and open layout, a thoughtfully styled focal corner and a touch of fragrance, whether through candles or fresh flowers, can bring everything together beautifully. It's best to avoid overcrowding the space with too many elements," he cautions.

Curtains and fabrics can also play a key role in shaping the overall look. Snehal suggests opting for a palette that enhances the room's architecture and complements furniture and decor. "Curtains often set the backdrop of a room's overall decor. The combination of sheer and blackout fabrics provides the perfect balance of utility and layered elegance. It is also essential to match your drapery style to the size of the opening for the best fit and function. ," she says. Simple changes like adjusting the length or adding tie-backs can make the space feel more polished and put together.

Colour choices this warm season favour light, breathable palettes that work well in warmer weather. Salman suggests colours that balance freshness and festivity. "For a summery Eid setting, lighter palettes work beautifully. Shades like ivory, soft beige, mint or powder blue paired with subtle metallic accents create a space that feels elegant. In humid weather especially, lighter tones help keep the room feeling fresh," he says. Stuti, on the other hand, picks combinations that feel celebratory without becoming too heavy. "Green with gold and white feels fresh and symbolic. Also, pastels like mint green, blush pink, lavender and peach keep the space airy and are perfect for daytime events," she adds. Using lighter tones within these palettes helps maintain a sense of comfort, especially in the city's warm conditions. With Eid almost here, the key is to focus on one focal area to create maximum visual impact rather than attempting to redo the entire home.

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> Stuti Gupta, home decor stylist

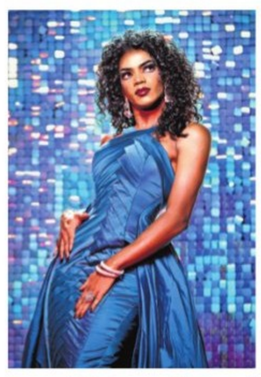
Four local drag queens are set to make a museum their stage this Sunday, highlighting stories of women and marginalised gender identities through Indian music history

QUEENS of the Gallery

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

A museum walkthrough is typically a sombre experience, encouraging quiet listening, ruminating and careful embedding of the history you've learnt into memory. The colourful costumes, humour and pizazz that drag queens sashay into any space with, hardly seem capable of being contained by a museum. But it's exactly this energy that the Indian Music Experience Museum is inviting into its halls with 'Drag at the Museum' this Sunday.

Collaborating with four local drag queens – Rang He Ra, Queen Shivangi, Kamani Sutra and Dark Fantasy – for a unique walkthrough led by them, the museum seeks to celebrate the stories of women and people with marginalised gender identities through Indian music history, this women's history month. "Museum spaces are full of academic voices, but the idea of bringing in drag queens is about presenting the facts in a way that subverts expectations – academics can't be as irreverent as a drag queen and use that persona to talk about history, heritage and music. It also felt fitting because drag art and cross-dressing have a long connection with art and performance in India and are not a western import as many believe," says Hina Siddiqui, the head of marketing & strategy.



Kamani Sutra

(From top) Queen Shivangi, Dark Fantasy and Rang He Ra

The queens have worked closely with the curators to choose exhibits to talk about, bringing their own lived experiences to the forefront in Kannada, Hindi and English. "Each of them will be drawing parallels from the drag community, adding some of their own characterisation and personality into the space. For example, Queen Shivangi is originally from Bihar, and she was quite drawn to the folk music gallery, especially a display on work songs. She will be talking about her music culture from Bihar and will also be demonstrating a form that she's been practising since childhood called Jhijhiya, which is indigenous to Bihar and Jharkhand," says Sarvar Kahlon, the programme manager. She adds, "In the melting pot section of the museum, where we talk about how western influences came with colonisation and shaped India's music landscape, Kamani Sutra will be drawing parallels with the evolution of western drag and its influence in the Indian context."

Drag at the Museum is set to take place on March 22 from 12.30pm to 5.30pm. For details, visit @indianmusic-experience on Instagram

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS CLASSIFIEDS

SMARTADS

PUBLIC NOTICE
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I, Vydyalingam Bengaluru Adhvik, son of Vydyalingam, aged about 35 years, residing at No. 39, 5th D Cross, Kempegowda Nagara, Byadarahalli, Magadi Main Road, Bangalore - 560091 have changed my name from VYDHYALINGAIAH BANGALORE ADHVIK to VYDYALINGAM BENGALURU ADHVIK via affidavit dated 17.03.2026 sworn before Notary Gangambike H.S.

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I, RAJENDRA PROSAD HAZRA resident of SMQ-89/16, Akash Vihar camp, Sanjaynagar, Marathalli, Bengaluru-560037, Karnataka, have changed my daughter's Name from NAYRITA HAZRA to NAYWRITA HAZRA vide Affidavit *IN-KA90946079021567Y* dated 24/02/2026 sworn before of A.R MuneerAhmed, Advocate & Notary.

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I, JAYANTILAL PUROHIT, S/o Dinesh Kumar, R/at Flat No. 501, Sankeshwar Enclave, 100/1A-1, 2nd Cross, CKC Garden, Bangalore-560 027 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from JAYANTILAL (old name) to JAYANTILAL PUROHIT (new name), henceforth I shall be known and called as JAYANTILAL PUROHIT (new name) for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18th March 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary MAMATHA .N.K at Bangalore.

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AFFIDAVIT
I. MISBHA BEGUM @ SHAMEEM UNNISA, aged about 57 years, Daughter of Mr. Zameeruddin, Residing at 19, 2nd Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Ann Maria Public School, Sultanpalya Main Road, R. T. Nagar Post, Bangalore -560032, I declare that below mentioned both names "SHAMEEM UNNISA" and "MISBHA BEGUM refer to one and the same person, which is myself, and there is no other person with the name associated with me, vide affidavit dated 19/3/2026 sworn to before Mohamed Arshed Ahmed Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

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I, Ms. Shravanthi Subbaraman Karanam D/o Subbaraman Katrigupe, residing at No 105, Sri Sai Garnet Apartments, J P Nagar, Bengaluru-560062, do hereby solemnly declare that Shravanthi Subbaraman Katrigupe and Shravanthi Subbaraman Karanam both the names are one and the same. I further declare that I have changed my name from Shravanthi Subbaraman Katrigupe to Shravanthi Subbaraman Karanam vide Affidavit dated 18.03.2026, sworn before Notary M S Satish Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, TANMAY DEVENDRAKUMAR GUPTA, S/o Devendrakumar Gupta, Residing at: Kandli Road, Bhoi Pura, Paratwada, Amravati, Maharashtra - 444805, Presently Residing at: Gummanahalli, Bangalore - 562149, I declare that below mentioned Gupta Tanmay Devendra, and Tanmay Devendrakumar Gupta both names refer to one and the same person, i.e., myself, vide affidavit dated 18/3/2026 sworn to before S R Ravikumar Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

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One Post, many meanings:
Rishab Shetty's cryptic message sets off frenzy

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A single line can sometimes do what elaborate announcements cannot. It can spark questions, shift narratives, and draw everyone into a conversation without giving a clear answer. That's exactly what Rishab Shetty's Ugadi wish did. It read, Adhyaya 2 Elinda Shuru (Chapter Two Begins from here), and was the perfect showcase of the festival, which represents new beginnings.

Since *Kantara: Chapter 1* released, there has always been an expectation that its story would continue. The film ended without closure. It paused, leaving a world ripe for further exploration. This new post hints that the pause is finally ending.

Many believe this is an announcement of the much-anticipated *Kantara: Chapter 2*. Even the phrasing of Rishab's Ugadi announcement seems intentional, almost like a continuation instead of a fresh start.

However, there's a detail that complicates this belief. The image shared by Rishab includes his own production banner, Rishab Shetty Films, and not Hombale Films, the studio that produced both the *Kantara* films. This raises the possibility that this "Chapter Two" could belong to a completely different story.

Another aspect adds to the intrigue. Rishab Shetty is rumoured to have unfollowed Hombale Films and even the official *Kantara* pages on social media. This action seems minor, but in a situation like this, it feels significant. It creates a sense of distance, or at least the perception of it, fueling more questions about what is unfolding behind the scenes.

Whether this marks a return to *Kantara* or the start of something new, one thing feels certain. Everything exists in fragments: a line, a festival moment, a social media move. None of them provides answers, but together they form a narrative that is hard to overlook.

Rishab Shetty

Calendar
locks release date

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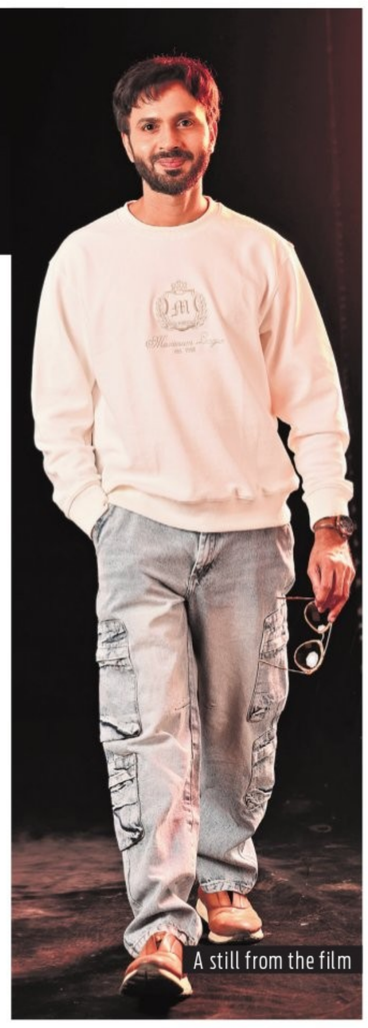
THE trailer of Adarsh Gundurao's upcoming film *Calendar* has been unveiled, ahead of its theatrical release on April 3. Known for his earlier roles in films including Swartha Ratna, Adarsh takes on the role of a doctor in this women-centric film.

Directed by Naveen Shakti, the film features Nivishka Patil and Sushmitha in the lead roles, with veteran actor Malashree appearing in a special part. The ensemble cast also includes Ramesh Indira, Pramod Shetty, Prakash Tuminadu, Suchendra Prasad, and Chandraprabha. While the film's music is by Sunad Gowtham, the cinematography is by Ramesh Koyira, action direction is handled by Vikram More, and dance sequences are choreographed by Bajarangi Mohan. Editing has been done by Suresh Arumugam, and the film has been written by Adarsh himself. Director Naveen Shakti, who is making his debut after extensive theatre experience, says the film "will resonate with every audience member." He added that the collaborative effort of the cast and crew has brought the film to life beautifully.

Sushmitha described the film as a story that connects deeply with the audience, while co-producer and actor Shivapradeep highlighted the teamwork behind the production and the excitement generated by the trailer.

Distributed by VK Films, *Calendar* will also be released in Hindi, extending its reach beyond Karnataka


A still from the film

A FITTING AND WELL-EARNED CLOSURE

A SHARADHAA

WHEN the journey of *Love Mocktail* began, it didn't feel like the start of a trilogy. The first film traced the fragile, often fleeting beauty of falling in love. The second then lingered in the ache of loss and the quiet work of healing. With *Love Mocktail 3*, the question isn't what comes next, but what remains. Director and actor Krishna answers that by turning inward, choosing continuity over expansion, and life over longing.

The films in this series has always drawn strength from its simplicity. What began as Aadi's (Krishna) coming-of-age in love gradually evolved into a meditation on time, memory, and moving forward. That arc finds its most grounded expression here, building on Aadi's decision to adopt, and the third instalment resists the pull of romance and settles into the rhythms of fatherhood. Aadi and his daughter Nidhi (Samvrutha) become the centre of a story and the song 'Muddu Magale', explains the bonding through school anxieties, bedtime stories, fleeting joys, and quiet fears. The first half, which runs between school and house, breathes in this warm and unhurried space, allowing their bond to unfold with an ease that feels lived-in rather than constructed.

However, the film doesn't remain in comfort. It gradually leans into conflict, introducing emotional and legal challenges that test Aadi's sense of self. Even as the narrative moves into heavier terrain, it holds onto its emotional core, avoiding excess and letting its dilemmas surface with restraint. How the bond between a father and daughter remains everlasting brings a mocktail of feelings to a close.

As a director, Krishna shows a steady hand. His storytelling remains intimate, built on silences, glances, everyday gestures, and emotions, which sets the tone. There's a visible maturity in how he handles transitions between the three parts, never pushing the film into melodrama even when the stakes rise. It's a controlled, thoughtful approach that trusts the material.

As an actor, he mirrors that restraint. His Aadi carries the weight of his past without spelling it out, moving from the impulsiveness of youth to the stillness of responsibility. It's a performance that settles rather than soars, but stays with you.

The third instalment however, more or less belongs to Samvruta as Nidhi. There's an unaffected honesty in her performance, shifting between playfulness and vulnerability with ease. This child artist doesn't merely support the story; often becoming the emotional lens through which the story is experienced.

The supporting cast adds texture without distraction. Abhilash, as Viju continues to be a quiet constant, the friend who steadies Aadi without needing to say much. Jagga Mummy (Jagadish) brings in a familiar warmth, and is that indispensable presence every household leans on and a comic relief. Rekha Kudligi and Neeyara Deepak introduce perspectives that gently complicate Aadi's worldview, while Dilip Raj and Shwetha R Prasad ground the later conflicts with restraint. Brief appearances by Milana Nagaraj, Amrutha Iyengar, Rachel David, and Rajini Bharadwaj, and others serve as emotional bridges, tying Aadi's present to his past.

Technically, the film stays aligned with its tone. Nakul Abhyankar's music is understated, with melodies that gently linger. Each instalment of the *Love Mocktail* films has brought in its own essence with music, while the cinematography by Sri Crazy Mindzz keeps things visually simple and close to the characters. The editing ensures that even as the narrative shifts, it never loses its rhythm.

What ultimately works for *Love Mocktail 3* is its clarity of purpose. It understands where its story stands—not in the search for love or the recovery from it, but in living with it. By bringing together the innocence of love, the resilience of loss, and the demands of parenthood, the trilogy begins to feel whole.

It doesn't attempt to outgrow what came before. Instead, it deepens it. It moves at its own gentle pace, like a quiet conversation, unafraid of silences. In that slowness, the film proves that a story can stay engaging without a single fight, letting emotions do all the talking.

In doing so, Krishna brings the story to a quiet, earned finish, one that feels like a fitting closure to the Love Mocktail journey, even as it gently reminds us that love and life don't end here. They simply move forward, in new forms.

LOVE MOCKTAIL 3
Director: Darling Krishna
Cast: Darling Krishna, Samvrutha, Milana Nagaraj, Abhilash, Dileep Raj, Shwetha Prasad
RATING 3.5/5

Masterful, marvellous mythmaking

KARTIK BHARDWAJ

THE biggest reveal in *Dhurandhar: The Revenge* is not the identity of Bade Sahab but the identity of demonetisation. Before Prime Minister Narendra Modi (the real deal, in an actual news footage; a rarity for the big screen) comes on TV to give his own "stroke of the midnight hour" speech, nullifying all ₹500 and ₹1000 notes, Madhavan's spymaster Ajay Sanyal orders his subordinate to execute "Operation Greenleaf." Soon after we see, not the long queues outside banks or small businessmen crying over losses, but a terror funder in Pakistan lamenting over the dire situation he is in. He has fake currency of over ₹60,000 crore which has now been rendered useless. I let out a cackle but quickly composed myself. I was sitting in a packed hall.

Dhurandhar: The Revenge is mythmaking at its cool, suave, stylish and high-octane best. If its filmmaking is arresting, its propaganda is even more unsubtle. The film seems to convey that everything that is happening is part of a bigger, masterful plan, mortal viewers like us will be unable to comprehend. If you are feeling distressed about the future of the country, about our standing in front of the US, about LPG shortage or fears of fuel crisis, just come, sit in the cinema hall and get lost in the movie magic, or better, spell. You are in safe hands. After putting Rehman Dakait (Akshaye Khanna) in the grave, Indian asset Hamza Ali Mazari (Ranveer Singh) is on to strike off more names in his spy diary. The immediate aftermath of Dakait's death is a gangwar in Lyari town between the Balochs, now headed by Uzair (Danish Pandor) and Arshad Pappu's (Ashwin Dhar) Pathan gang. Soon enough, with some wits and firepower, Hamza gets Arshad out of his hiding place and Uzair gives him some head-severing justice. But Hamza has plans for Uzair as well. After getting him behind bars, Hamza takes over the throne of Lyari and gets even more embedded in the Pakistani underworld-terror networks. His influence increases. He gets thicker with toady politician Jameel Jamali (Rakesh Bedi) and the astute SP Chaudhary Aslam (Sanjay Dutt). Bade Sahab invites him for a house call too. But with each step, Hamza is trying to foil the nefarious plans of the Pakistan underworld-terror syndicate all while keeping his identity covert.

DHURANDHAR THE REVENGE
Director: Aditya Dhar
Cast: Ranveer Singh, Arjun Rampal, Sanjay Dutt, R Madhavan Rakesh Bedi and Sara Arjun

The most revelatory and thrilling portions of the film are when we get to know Jaskirat Singh Rangi and what unfortunate circumstances led him to become Hamza Ali Mazari. We see him as a vulnerable, 21-year-old boy, who once dreamt of donning the Army uniform, but because of an untoward incident and a violent retaliation is now on death row. Eventually he is saved, recruited and given a rebirth by Madhavan's Ajay Sanyal for Operation *Dhurandhar*. Jaskirat/ Hamza's interiority portrayed by Ranveer Singh's subliminal performance is the highlight of the film. With multiple plans in motion, mind games, backstabbings and political manoeuvrings, Ranveer's act is the emotional core of the film, grounding it whenever it starts going haywire. Although I had problems with the prequel over its runtime, *The Revenge*'s 3 hours and 49 minutes duration sailed easier. The film keeps rattling on and there is either a joke or a blast when it gets sluggish. While *Dhurandhar* delivered the joys of a gangster epic, *The Revenge* has the stealth-and-strike machinations of a spy thriller (There is also a slow poison hidden in a ring. A smart, medieval touch). It's thrilling to witness Hamza chip off the Pakistani syndicate bit by bit but what the film lacks is a formidable adversary. Arjun Rampal as Major Iqbal is at his conniving best and Sanjay Dutt's SP Aslam is still entertaining with his flowery expletives but none of them could fill an Akshaye Khanna sized hole.

Dhurandhar: The Revenge continues to exhibit a strong command over its craft. I liked how an action sequence opened with a minimalistic image of just two innocuous grenades flying before blasting off in fiery fury. Director Aditya Dhar ably reigns the narrative and in a bid to remain engaging doesn't resort to inundating the film with one action setup after another. The plot gets breathing time and some revelations are truly whistle-worthy. *The Revenge*'s genre pleasures keep you hooked but its political pushes are the ones that break the immersion. The film often seems desperate to convince its viewer how every action taken by the current regime was thought through. The Naxal movement, Punjab's drug menace, Kashmir's separatist inclinations, fake currency notes all have Pakistan's evil tentacles over them whereas demonetisation and UP gangster Atiq Ahmed's (called Atif Ahmed in the film) live assassination were all part of the regime's grand plan to foil the neighbouring country's devious methods. It can't be that simplistic but then it's just a movie. It's the business of selling dreams.

RATING 3/5

Michael Lesslie joins *Fast Forever*

CE FEATURES

WE had previously written about Vin Diesel confirming the title for the 12th and final Fast & Furious film as *Fast Forever*. The actor has now revealed that screenwriter Michael Lesslie, known for writing The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes and Now You See Me 3, will pen the script for the upcoming film. As reported earlier, Louis Letterier returns as director for the concluding chapter in the franchise, which serves as the second part to Fast X (2023). It has set a March 17, 2028, release date, five years after Fast X hit theatres.

In an extensive caption accompanying the post, Diesel reflected on the journey of the franchise, which began in 2001. He described his meeting with Lesslie as a moment that rekindled a familiar creative energy, noting that the writer's vision for the next chapter carries "something real beating inside it."

Maya Hawke to star in *God of the Woods* adaptation

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MAYA HAWKE, who played Robin in Netflix's Stranger Things, is set for a collaboration with the streamer once again. She will now be seen in the new drama series, The *God of the Woods*, based on Liz Moore's New York Times bestselling novel.

Cast as a series regular, Hawke will be seen as Judy Luptack, smart and determined, and the first female investigator of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation, which is male-dominated. She is enlisted to investigate the missing girl's case.

The series follows the mysterious disappearance of adolescent Barbara Van Laar from her family's summer camp, which is followed by a tragedy that occurred earlier, hinting at a possible connection between the two. The series, which explores the Van Laar family's dark secrets and class tensions, will focus on their wealth and influence, unveiling the problematic consequences of authority and its abuse.